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**REPORT**  
OF THE  
**Receipts and Expenditures**  
OF THE  
**Town of Middleton**  
FOR THE  
**Year Ending, December 31, 1967**



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**Middleton, Mass.**



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# Town Meeting Warrant

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

ESSEX, ss. To either of the Constables of the Town of Middleton in the County of Essex;

### GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town, qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs, to meet at the Howe-Manning School Auditorium in said Middleton on Tuesday the Twelfth day of March next at eight o'clock in the afternoon, then and there to act on the following articles:

ARTICLE 1. To hear and act on Committee Reports.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1968, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year and to renew such note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 17 of the General Laws.

ARTICLE 3. To fix the compensations of elected officers; to determine whether any Town Board shall be authorized to employ for additional salary or compensation any of its members; provide for a Reserve Fund; and to determine what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate, including appropriations from available funds to defray charges and expenses of the Town, including debt and interest, for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 4. On petition of the Electric Light Department to see if the Town will vote to accept the sum of \$14,500.00 from the earnings of the Electric Light Department, said sum to be used for the reduction of taxes.

ARTICLE 5. On petition of the Board of Selectmen to see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$50,000.00 from Available Funds to the Stabilization Fund.

ARTICLE 6. On petition of the Cemetery Commissioners to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500.00 for the building of a two car garage — storage shed — workshop at Oakdale Cemetery.

ARTICLE 7. On petition of the Cemetery Commissioners to see if the Town will vote to authorize the Commissioners to use the sum of \$350.00 from the Cemetery Equipment Fund, to be used for the purchase of new equipment or replacement of worn out equipment.

ARTICLE 8. On petition of the Highway Surveyor to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,700.00 to be expended for the purchase of a new International Dump Truck in accordance with specifications set forth by the Highway Surveyor.

ARTICLE 9. On petition of the Chief of Police to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,485.00 to pay the salary of one (1) new police officer for the Police Department; said man to start work the first week in April, 1968.

ARTICLE 10. On petition of the Chief of Police, to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of "not more than" \$1,650.00 which together with the exchange value of the present 1967 Oldsmobile Delmont (88) 4 Door Sedan Model #425 Cruiser for the use of the Police Department, to be purchased by the Board of Selectmen as provided in the By-Laws, agreeable to the petition of the Chief of Police.

ARTICLE 11. On petition of the Fire Chief, to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,480.00 to pay the wages for one new permanent firefighter for the Fire Department; said man to start work the first week in April, 1968.

ARTICLE 12. On petition of the Fire Chief, to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500.00 to purchase a station wagon, to be used in carrying out the business of the Fire Department, to be purchased by the Board of Selectmen as provided in the By-Laws, agreeable to the petition of the Fire Chief.

ARTICLE 13. On petition of the Civil Defense Director, to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,900.00, for the purchase of one 15 KW Stand-by Electric Generator Plant, controls, and switches for a complete system, for the Fire-Highway Building, said sum to be taken from the Surplus Revenue Account.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to appoint three members, the Moderator one member and the Chairman of the Finance Committee one member of a committee for board of five registered members to carry out the favorable report of the personnel board study committee January 16, 1968 on file with the Town Clerk, to establish a personnel board for the Town under Chapter 41, Section 108A of said chapter, and all other matters for the administration for the personnel of the Town contemplated by said sections, said committee or board to report its recommendations to the Selectmen not later than October 1, 1968.

To transact any other business that may lawfully come before this meeting.

You are hereby ordered to notify and warn said qualified voters to meet at the Fuller Meadow School on Monday, March 18 next for the following purposes, viz: One Moderator for one year, One Selectman for Three years, One member of the Board of Public Welfare for Three years, One Assessor for Three years, One Treasurer for Three years, One Constable for Three years, One member of the School Committee for Three years, One member of the School Committee for One year, One member of the Regional School Committee for Three years, One member of the Regional School Committee for Two years, One Electric Light Commissioner for Three years, One Cemetery Commissioner for Three years, One Tree Warden for One year, One member of the Planning Board for Five years, Two trustees of Flint Public Library for Three years, One Water and Sewer Commissioner for Three years.

The polls will be open at 7:00 A.M. and shall be closed at 7:00 P.M.

And you are directed to service this Warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at Memorial Hall, Post Office and Store at Howe's Station in said Town seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

HEREOF FAIL NOT, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doing thereon, to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting, as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this Thirteenth day of February in the year of our Lord, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixty-eight.

LESLIE E. MERRIFIELD, Chairman

THOMAS F. DOLAN, Clerk

ROBERT G. GOWAN

A true copy, Attest:

JAMES W. WENTWORTH, Constable

Selectmen of Middleton

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# *Annual Report*

for the

## *Town of Middleton*

Massachusetts

# *1967*



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## **In Memoriam**

**CHARLES W. BAKER**

**1891 - 1967**

Superintendent of Cemeteries 1951-1962

**WALTER EDWARD CLINTON**

**1896 - 1967**

Zoning Appeal Board 1959-1967

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## **Town Officers (Elected) 1967**

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### **Moderator**

Richard J. White

### **Town Clerk**

William T. Martin, Jr. (1969)

### **Selectmen and Board of Health**

Leslie E. Merrifield, Chairman (1968)

Robert G. Gowen (1969)

Thomas F. Dolan (1970)

### **Board of Public Welfare**

Leslie E. Merrifield, Chairman (1968)

George M. Farley (1969)

Leyland A. Phillips (1970)

### **Board of Assessors**

Paul B. Wake, Chairman (1969)

Donald A. Aylward (1968)

Ernest F. LeBeau (1970)

### **Treasurer**

Patricia M. Jordan (1968)

### **Tax Collector**

Harold E. Tyler (1969)

### **Highway Surveyor**

Allan G. Marshall (1969)

### **Constable**

James W. Wentworth (1968)

### **School Committee**

Georgia D. Lewis, Chairman (1968)

Ralph W. LeDuc (1968)

David V. Harding (1969)

Francis X. Masse (1970)

Annie J. Dow (1970)

### **Regional School Committee**

James H. Coffin, Jr. (1968)

Robert E. Forney (1969)

Edward L. Raynard (1970)

**Electric Light Commissioners**

Richard O. Ajootian, Chairman (1968)  
 Robert W. Fox (1969) Frank E. Dow (1970)

**Cemetery Commissioners**

Michael Lavorgna, Chairman (1970)  
 John A. Pellicelli (1968) Edward J. Richardson (1969)

**Tree Warden**

Ernest R. Gould

**Planning Board**

Robert J. Preytis, Chairman (1970)  
 John A. Goodwin (1968) Eugene J. LeBlanc (1969)  
 Louis A. Barrett (1971) Donald H. Hall (1972)

**Trustees of Flint Public Library**

Paul B. Wake, Chairman (1968)  
 James H. Coffin (1968) Donald A. Aylward (1969)  
 Carl C. Jones (1969) Chester K. Masse (1970)  
 Elmer O. Campbell, Jr. (1970)

**Water and Sewer Commissioners**

George W. Nash, Chairman (1968)  
 William J. Hocter, Clerk (1970) Benjamin K. Richardson (1969)

**Middleton Housing Authority**

Charles S. Clinch, Jr., Chairman (1970)  
 Carl A. Peterson (1969) Richard G. Floyd, Jr. (1971)  
 Richard G. Goodale (1972)

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**Town Officers (Appointed) 1967**


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**Registrars of Voters**

Arthur F. Bastable (1970) John M. Cryan (1968)  
 William T. Martin, Jr. (Ex-officio)

**Zoning Appeal Board**

R. Lionel Barrows, Chairman (1970)  
 Nathan A. Hayward (1968) Joseph E. Pickard (1969)  
 Thomas D. Black, Jr. (1971) Ebbe B. Wennerberg, Clerk (1972)  
 Gerald L. Woodland (Alternate)  
 Joseph E. Conceison (Alternate)



**Finance Committee**

Bernard Greenbaum, Chairman (1968)

Frank R. Britner (1968)

Richard J. Fitzpatrick (1968)

John T. Dowling (1969)

George E. Dow (1970)

Augustus A. Jones (1970)

**Chief of Police**

James W. Wentworth

**Chief of Fire Department**

Harold F. Purdy

**Forest Fire Warden**

Harold F. Purdy

**Electric Light Manager**

J. Lansing English

**Town Accountant**

Bartholomew J. Whelan

**Town Counsel**

Walter R. Colby

Lynnfield, Mass.

**Inspector of Animals**

Charles H. Ohlson

**Inspector of Slaughtering**

Charles H. Ohlson

**Wire Inspector**

John W. Milbery

**Building Inspector**

Roger M. Peabody

**Plumbing and Gas Inspector**

Beumont B. Hurd

**Central Essex Welfare District Director**

Maurice Medoff

**Veterans' Agent and Director of Veterans' Services**

Ernest F. LeBeau

**Superintendent of Cemeteries**

Edward J. Richardson

**Park Superintendent and Local Supt. of Insect Pest Control**

Ernest R. Gould

**Health Agent**

Arthur R. Donovan

**Community Nurse and Asst. Health Agent**

Marie DesChamps  
Danvers, Mass.

**Consultant Sanitarian**

Kent A. Murphy  
Swampscott, Mass.

**Dog Officer**

Charles H. Ohlson

**Custodian of Town Hall**

Robert P. Fuller

**Custodian of Memorial Hall**

James J. Comstock

**Custodian of Town Dump**

John W. Campbell

**Civil Defense Agent**

Arthur G. Doane

**Custodian of Town Lands**

Patricia M. Jordan

**Conservation Commission**

Henry N. Sawyer, Chairman (1968)

John Comack (1968)

Michael T. Manning (1969)

Francis E. Goreham (1969)

Leonard Kupreance (1970)

**Industrial Development Commission**

Wayne D. VanAlstyne, Chairman (1969)

Henry G. Roberge (1968)

Helen F. Richardson (1970)

R. Lionel Barrows (1971)

Barrie L. Irish (1972)

**Representative to Metropolitan Area Planning Council**

Louis A. Barrett

**Representative to Ipswich River Watershed District Advisory Board**

Louis A. Barrett

**Trustees****B. F. Emerson Fund**

Naumkeag Trust Company, Salem, Mass.

Elmer O. Campbell, Jr.

Willis W. Esty

Paul B. Wake

Carl C. Jones

**Mansfield Fund**

Old Colony Trust Company, Boston, Mass.

**David Cummings Fund**

Board of Public Welfare

*Reports*

of

*Various Departments*

*1967*

## BOARD OF APPEALS

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the

Citizens of the Town of Middleton

Gentlemen:

The Board of Appeals respectfully submit their report for the year ending December 31, 1967.

A regular meeting is held at Memorial Hall, South Main Street, on the second Thursday of every month at 8:00 P.M.

All applications for Public Hearings must be filed at the Town Clerk's Office at least 21 days before a regularly scheduled meeting in order to have said applications properly processed and published, as the law requires, at least 14 days before the hearing is held.

All applications must include the names and addresses of all abutters and concerned parties.

All applications must be accompanied by a deposit in the amount of \$13.00 payable to the Town of Middleton. This deposit is to apply towards the costs of legal publications and notices.

Respectfully submitted,

Lionel Barrows, Chairman  
Ebbe B. Wennerberg, Clerk  
Thomas Black, Jr.  
Nathan Hayward, Jr.  
Walter E. Clinton  
Joseph E. Pickard, Alternate  
Gerald L. Woodland, Alternate

## ASSESSORS' REPORT

The following is a recapitulation of the money appropriated by the Town of Middleton and the estimated receipts deducted therefrom in the determination of the 1967 tax rate.

### APPROPRIATIONS

Town appropriations	\$1,414,353.32
Total appropriaitons voted to be taken from available funds	82,178.81
School Lunch Program	3,917.70
Free Public Libraries	929.50
County Tax	16,656.97
1966 underestimate of county tax	1,322.91
State Recreation Areas	3,108.80
1966 underestimate of State Recreation Areas	465.80
Audit of Municipal Accounts	5,525.03
Metropolitan Districts Area	158.07
1966 underestimate of Metropolitan Districts Area	13.33
Mass. Bay Transportation Authority	434.49
Mosquito Control Projects	1,577.52
1966 underestimate of Mosquito Control	2,238.56
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Bills	355.20
1967 Overlay	31,132.80
Gross amount to be raised	\$1,564,368.81

### ESTIMATED RECEIPTS AND AVAILABLE FUNDS

1967 Estimated Receipts from the local aid and agency funds	\$ 311,210.38
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	61,197.54
Licenses	5,822.00
Fines	510.00
Protection of Persons and Property	2,400.00
School (local receipts of School Committee)	1,000.00
Public Service Enterprises (Light Dept.)	305,327.00
Cemeteries (other than Trust Funds and sale of lots)	1,690.00
Interest	2,600.00
Water Department	4,330.00
Electric Light (Lieu of Taxes)	13,000.00
Town of Danvers (Lieu of Taxes)	989.00
Amounts voted to be taken from available funds	82,178.81
Total estimated Receipts and Available Funds	\$ 792,254.73

Gross amount to be raised	1,564,368.81
Total estimated receipts and available funds	792,254.73
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Net amount to be raised by taxation	772,114.08
Net amount to be raised by taxation on Personal Property	11,236.80
Net amount to be raised by taxation on Real Estate	760,877.28
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TOTAL VALUATION	
Personal Property	234,100.00
Real Estate	15,851,610.00
1967 Tax Rate	48.00

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL B. WAKE, Chairman

ERNEST F. LeBEAU

DONALD A. AYLWARD

## CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS' REPORT

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the  
Citizens of the Town of Middleton.

The cemetery this past year responded extremely well due to the rainy weather, and kept us very busy mowing grass. The last cutting was December 15th.

Another installment of hot top amounting to 350 feet was completed. Four short avenues were graveled in preparation for hot top in the future. We have continued our efforts for a systematic contouring of the older sections. Several shrubs have been donated and planted which will help beautify the area.

Improvements have been made at the lower gate by re-routing the road so that it approaches Maple Street on a gradual curve.

It would be well to note that 45 burials sets a new record.

We would be most happy to cooperate with everyone in encouraging the endowment of their lots that are under private care. Because of rising costs of materials and labor, these expenses are bound to increase each year.

We wish to extend our thanks to the various departments for their assistance and cooperation during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

MICHAEL LAVORGNA

EDWARD RICHARDSON

JOHN PELLICELLI

Cemetery Commissioners



# THE CENTRAL ESSEX WELFARE DISTRICT

## Middleton Division

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the

Citizens of the Town of Middleton

Report for the year ending December 31, 1967

Aid to Families with Dependent Children	10 Cases	23 Children
Disability Assistance .....	10 Cases	
Medical Assistance .....	178 Cases	
Old Age Assistance .....	20 Cases	
General Relief .....	None	

The year 1967 continued to reflect the change and liberalization of the Public Welfare programs which began in 1962 with the requirements and standards set by the Federal Government in providing social services, as well as, assistance payments. The trend continues to be toward less stringent formal eligibility requirements, and more toward a simple declaration of need. The medicaid program has increased proportionately higher than the other programs administered by this office as reflected by the above total increase in program assistance.

The single most important advance in social welfare, apart from the institution of Medicare was the continuation of Title XIX of the 1965 Amendment to the Social Security Act.

This program, popularly known as Medicaid or Medical Assistance replaced Medical Assistance to the Aged which applied only to those 65 years of age or over. It became effective in September 1966 and allows payments for medical care to many who have heretofore been excluded from other forms of public assistance. In many respects, it can be viewed as a handmaiden to Medicare, since, for recipients over 65 it will pay for all medical care not covered by Medicare and for those under 65, it will provide complete medicare coverage. The program also pays medical costs for Families with Dependent Children and Disability Assistance prothose receiving public aid under the Old Age Assistance, Aid to

grams. In effect, these recipients are receiving two forms of assistance, both heavily subsidized by the Federal Government. The following is an example of an income group to whom the program could be helpful — Families of 4 who have a net annual income of \$4,044.00 will qualify for assistance, within certain limits. The town's share of the cost of the program is 16- $\frac{2}{3}$ % — the state's 33- $\frac{1}{3}$ % — federal government — 50%.

Concomitant with advances within the various programs and the extension of coverage to a wider range of income groups is the increased overall cost of maintaining public welfare programs. In 1967, among specific contributing factors were the constantly rising costs of medical services. Hospital and nursing home rates were raised, as well as fees for specialists, consultants, general practitioners, podiatrists, nursing services and laboratory tests. In addition, in those welfare categories which provide cash grants, Old Age Assistance; Aid to Families with Dependent Children or Disability Assistance, monthly budget payments were raised to allow for a higher level of subsistence.

There were several personnel changes made in the district office during the year. Miss Annette Faucher left for marriage. Mr. Jeghelian left to become director of Public Assistance in Nashoba Valley District office in Bedford, Acton, Mass.

The Board wishes to thank the Board of Selectmen and all other town officers, the Community Nurse and the townspeople for their cooperation during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

LESLIE E. MERRIFIELD, Chairman

LEYLAND A. PHILLIPS

GEORGE M. FARLEY

MAURICE L. MEDOFF, Director

DOROTHY YASI, Social Worker

## TOWN CLERK'S REPORT — 1967

To the Citizens of the Town of Middleton:

I submit for your approval my report of Vital Statistics Recorded, Dog Taxes collected and Fish and Game Licenses issued in the year 1967.

Please report any errors or omissions of Vital Statistics to the Town Clerk's Office that the Record may be corrected accordingly.

### Marriages Recorded in 1967

Date of Marriage	Place of Marriage	Names of Bride and Groom	Residence
Jan. 6	Merrimac	Wm. Kenneth Hinckley, Jr. Marie Elsie Gould	Manchester Middleton
Jan. 21	Middleton	Robert Joseph Casey Bernice Mae Monroe	North Andover Middleton
Feb. 3	Medford	Bertram Edward Paine Virginia Louise Holmes	Middleton Danvers
Feb. 4	Everett	John Berner Shirley Ann Wheatley	Everett Middleton
Feb. 18	Middleton	Vernon Demeritt Taylor Martha Cressey	Reading Middleton
Feb. 18	Middleton	David Madden Janet Lee Yetman (Story)	Middleton Georgetown
Mar. 11	Peabody	Fred Raymond Chartier Gail Pauline Stathopoulos	Middleton Peabody
Mar. 26	Salem	Albert Warren Alexander Doris Euda Spinney (Lermond)	Middleton Middleton
Apr. 1	Belmont	David Joseph Burns Catherine Mary Smith	Middleton Belmont
Apr. 2	Middleton	Robert Joseph Clifford Jeanne Elaine Martin	Haverhill Middleton
Apr. 7	Peabody	John L. Vagge, Jr. Patricia Ann Hill	Middleton Peabody
Apr. 15	Middleton	William Albert Daniels Anne Farrell Richardson	Peabody Middleton
Apr. 7	Amesbury	Frederick William Hale Susan Elizabeth Cassidy	Topsfield Middleton
Apr. 22	Ipswich	Francis Adolph Smerczynski Janice Sandra Blaisdell	Middleton Ipswich

Date of Marriage	Place of Marriage	Names of Bride and Groom	Residence
Apr. 29	Middleton	Albert John Stoll, Jr. Carolyn Marie Griggs	Warren, Mich. Middleton
May 6	Amesbury	Simon Joseph Procetto Judith Clark Gillette (Pinto)	Middleton Peabody
May 7	W. Roxbury	Arthur Robert Merritt Jane Margaret Burgess	Middleton Boston
May 12	Lynnfield	John Phillip Mumley Carol Frances Lombard (Vasey)	Middleton Middleton
May 21	Swampscott	Joseph Michael Miceli Karen Lee Wingo	Middleton Lynn
June 4	Middleton	Harold Franklin Purdy, Jr. Joan Alyce Robinson	Middleton Lynn
June 2	Danvers	Edward Charles DeCosta Judith Ann Young	Middleton Danvers
June 25	Danvers	Donald William Lear Catherine Anna Bandemer	Danvers Middleton
July 8	Beverly	Neal Richard Celley, Jr. Gail Marlene Shrayner	Middleton Beverly
July 8	Ipswich	Gerald Leslie Hannibal Nancy Eva Kelley	Middleton Ipswich
July 8	Salem	Laurier Rene Belanger Lorraine Gertrude Gauthier	Middleton Salem
July 29	Melrose	Merrill A. Carraway Sandra Woods Cattley	Coral Gables, Fla. Middleton
Aug. 13	N. Reading	William Lewis Fiedler Sharon Lee Eisenhaure	Middleton North Reading
Aug. 19	Middleton	John Jeremiah Vitale Georgette Frances Blais	Beverly Middleton
Aug. 19	Danvers	Edgar Dyer Januchowski Nancy Virginia Smith	Danvers Middleton
Aug. 26	Middleton	Charles Warren Newhall Andrea Florence Karayianes	Saugus Middleton
Aug. 20	Hamden, Conn.	David A. Shaw Sally Ellen Hendrickson	Middleton Hamden, Conn.
Sept. 16	Middleton	Julio Ronald Raia Linda Diane Muise	North Reading Middleton
Sept. 30	Middleton	Vincent Francis Zerveskes Sharon Elizabeth Pollock	South Boston Middleton
Oct. 7	Peabody	Robert Harold Remick Brenda Mae Dobson	Canton Middleton
Oct. 11	Middleton	Walter Arthur Newell, Jr. Irene Margaret	Springfield Springfield

Date of Marriage	Place of Marriage	Names of Bride and Groom	Residence
		(Trombley) Albrecht	
Oct. 21	Newton	Michael Francis Connor	Middleton
		Janet Cecile Grigalus	So. Boston
Oct. 27	Danvers	Richard Charles Leary	Middleton
		Fronie McNichol	Danvers
Oct. 28	Lynn	Clarence Baker, Jr.	Middleton
		Caroline Rosemarie Christian	Topsfield
Nov. 21	Lynn	Leo Henry Charles Massei	Middleton
		Mary Lillian Flynn (Conrad)	Middleton
Nov. 22	Cambridge	Gordon Lee Guttrich	Winchester
		Linda Alice Johnson	Middleton
Nov. 18	Middleton	Thomas Paul Elliott	Middleton
		Karen Verne Webber	Brighton
Nov. 26	Boston	Anthony Tordiglione	Middleton
		Mary Ann Contardo	Boston
Nov. 26	Danvers	Jay Osgood Pelletier	Middleton
		Janice Miriam St. Pierre	Danvers
Dec. 9	Lynnfield	John Anthony Tkachuk	Beverly
		Joyce Arlene Cavanagh	Middleton
Dec. 27	Medford	Richard Campbell Wood	Natick
		Christine Ann Coddington	Middleton

### Births Recorded in 1967

Date of Birth	Name of Child	Names of Parents
Jan. 3	Katherine Ann Williams	Louis Frederick Williams Theresa B. Teixeira
Jan. 8	Charles Clark Cook, Jr.	Charles Clark Cook Virginia Rose Fowler
Jan. 18	Michael John Mello	Francis John Mello Teresa Ann Zaccardo
Jan. 29	John Peter Sedlak	Joseph Peter Sedlak Ruth A. Semons
Feb. 10	David Samuel Burnett	Norman S. Burnett Kathleen A. Walsh
Feb. 16	Edward Philip Wronski	Ronald E. Wronski Lydia A. Meagher
Feb. 18	Tracy Lee Luscomb	Edwin D. Luscomb Janice R. Lilley

Date of Birth	Name of Child	Names of Parents
Feb. 20	Pamela Jean Rowe	Walter A. Rowe Carol G. French
Feb. 25	Richard Scott Gardner	James R. Gardner Lee Gordon
Feb. 25	Daniel David Hall	Daniel Arend Hall Donna Lee Drew
Feb. 28	Bernadette Foss	Howard Winn Foss, Jr. Linda J. Johnson
Mar. 24	Robert Allen Raynard	Edward L. Raynard Shirley May Paul
Mar. 25	Michael Louis Cerullo	Louis Cerullo Mary Ellen Normile
Apr. 3	Dennis Michael Nye	George O. Nye Marie F. Kivlehan
Apr. 4	Todd Cameron Butler	Theodore Harvey Butler Donna Jeanice Coffin
Apr. 27	Shirley Ann Snell	Raymond Arthur Snell Diane B. Keith
May 6	Eric Raymond Nelson	Orin A. Nelson Elaine B. Cook
May 9	Joseph Douglas Close	Carl L. Close Dianni L. Levesque
May 12	Carol Ann Muise	Richard Douglas Muise Dorothea Joan Crocker
May 14	Janine Louise Renner	Jeno Renner Louise A. Marshall
May 15	Christine May LeBlanc	Omer Joseph LeBlanc Eleanor May Swiniarski
June 2	Maryanne Elizabeth Britner	Frank Robert Britner, Jr. Kathleen M. Mason
June 9	Robynne Lisa Green	Robert Lester Green Diana Cotto
June 12	Baby Roy Dickinson	John Dickinson Cecile M. Bouchard
July 1	Ronald Stephen LeBlanc	Louis Joseph LeBlanc Irene Anita LeBlanc
July 11	Jill Terri Lavins	Donald C. Lavins Anna B. Cohen
July 15	Michele Lee Babine	David Henry Babine Marilyn Elizabeth Fender
July 21	Joel John Magliozzi	Oreste J. Magliozzi Marie L. Hasenfus



Date of Birth	Name of Child	Names of Parents
July 27	Kathleen Patricia Smith	David Joseph Smith Jacqueline Grace Kiley
July 31	John Allan Reeder	Darrell Allan Reeder Barbara Ellen Roth
Aug. 2	Dawn Marie Leary	Francis Joseph Leary, Jr. Janet Irene Marcotte
Aug. 17	James Wm. Wentworth, III	James Wm. Wentworth, II Mary Etta Reed
Sept. 4	Kevin Joseph Merrill	Phillip L. Merrill Anne M. Walsh
Sept. 11	Renne Marie Caron	Charles Joseph Caron Patricia Darlene Rankin
Sept. 24	Peter Vantine	Richard Vantine Ruth Alice Crooker
Sept. 28	Mark Ramsey Mathison	Charles W. Mathison Jessica A. Carpenter
Sept. 29	Cynthia Elizabeth Yen	Philip Jun Yen Susan Su-san Ma
Oct. 2	Stephen Richard Perry	Richard W. Perry Susan D. Loneragan
Oct. 11	Diane Julie Jalbert	George Alfred Jalbert Normande S. Laine
Oct. 17	Kristin Helene Flanagan	Thomas D. Flanagan Lucille T. Giancola
Oct. 23	Christian Clarke Deane	Ronald Lawrence Deane Sally Wheeler
Oct. 26	Pamela Joyce Sallop	Louis Sallop Joyce Theresa Johnston
Nov. 9	David Leslie Ware	Earl Arthur Ware Tynne Rubchinuk
Nov. 12	Richard Paul Dane	Donald Joseph Dane Joanne Gladys Leary
Nov. 15	Ann Logan Littlefield	John Clough Littlefield, Jr. Virginia Morris Hudnell
Nov. 15	Katherine Morris Littlefield	John Clough Littlefield, Jr. Virginia Morris Hudnell
Nov. 17	Paul Kenneth Steiger	Paul Edward Steiger Diane Lee Courtney
Nov. 19	Andrew John Violette	John Robert Violette Louiselle Cecile DuFour
Nov. 24	Michael Sean Caulfield	John Patrick Caulfield Joan Lee Gaulin



Date of Birth	Name of Child	Names of Parents
Nov. 24	Peter Arthur Johnson, Jr.	Peter Arthur Johnson Sandra Jean Lane
Nov. 27	Stephen David Goodwin	John Alden Goodwin Joanne S. Williams
Dec. 18	Michael James Gardner	James Ross Gardner Lee Gordon
Dec. 18	James Edward Harlow	Joseph Howard Harlow Barbara Joan Felton
Dec. 27	Michael Robert Ullven	Robert Edward Ullven Suzanne Carol Caruso
Dec. 29	Thomas Richard Potorski	Walter Richard Potorski Georgia Michael Stamos

### Deaths Recorded in 1967

Date of Death	Name of Deceased	Age
Jan. 21	John A. Brock .....	86 years
Jan. 1	Elizabeth Adams .....	90
Jan. 6	Montford McCaul .....	78
Jan. 27	Austin Boodro .....	71
Feb. 11	David B. Robinson .....	72
Feb. 16	Harry Simpson .....	84
Mar. 8	Elizabeth A. (Napier) Robinson .....	54
Mar. 26	Andrew P. Klosowski .....	76
Apr. 20	Inez M. Evans (Currier) .....	67
May 2	Harriet (Watts) Martin .....	89
Apr. 14	Roland C. Quimby .....	61
Apr. 27	Emma A. Fish (Douville) .....	76
Apr. 30	Vernon R. Benson .....	24
May 22	Charles Baker .....	76
May 24	John Barbaro .....	76
June 7	Wayne Thomas Freeman .....	7
June 4	Sophie (Stone) Gilboard .....	61
June 23	Lauretta LaRiviere .....	52
July 18	Mora Nelson (Hurley) .....	49
July 29	Todd Cameron Butler .....	3 mos.
July 2	William F. Ogden, Jr. ....	17
Aug. 6	George E. Lucier .....	81
Aug. 29	Olive L. Gordon .....	47
Sept. 25	Henry Scott .....	85

Date of Death	Name of Deceased	Age
Sept. 29	Albert E. Watts .....	81
Sept. 29	Abbie Valiquette .....	74
Oct. 18	Anita F. LeBlanc .....	61
Dec. 11	Lizzie O. Phillips .....	92
Dec. 25	Ernest MacAllister .....	60
Dec. 16	Bertha Pearl Singer (Cronk) .....	87
Dec. 19	Walter E. Clinton, Sr. ....	71
Dec. 25	Hannah J. Martin .....	85
Dec. 26	Ernest A. Curtis .....	86
Dec. 29	Frederick P. Bourque .....	73

### Dog Taxes Collected — 1967

254 Male Dogs @ \$2.00 .....	\$ 508.00
65 Female Dogs @ \$5.00 .....	325.00
152 Spayed Female Dogs @ \$2.00 .....	304.00
4 Kennel Licenses @ \$10.00 .....	40.00
4 Kennel Licenses @ \$25.00 .....	100.00
1 Kennel License @ \$50.00 .....	50.00
	<u>\$1,327.00</u>
Less Fees deducted	120.00
	<u>\$1,207.00</u>

### Fish and Game Licenses Issued — 1967

103 Resident Citizen .....	Fishing
47 Resident Citizen .....	Hunting
40 Resident Citizen .....	Sporting
4 Resident Citizen .....	Minor Fishing
9 Resident Citizen .....	Female Fishing
1 Resident Citizen .....	Minor Trapping
1 Resident Citizen .....	Trapping
3 Archery Deer Stamp	
2 Duplicate Licenses	
9 Resident Citizen Sporting (Old Age Assistance - Free)	
2 Resident Citizen Fishing (Paraplegic or to the Blind)	

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM T. MARTIN, JR.

Town Clerk

## TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

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### REAL ESTATE TAXES — 1966

Balance January 1, 1967	\$ 44,907.55	
Interest	1,744.68	
Collections:		
Tax		43,473.39
Interest		1,744.68
Abatements		153.40
Transferred to Tax Title Accounts		1,280.76
	\$ 46,652.23	\$ 46,652.23

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### REAL ESTATE TAXES — 1967

1967 Commitment	\$761,335.20	
Interest	199.55	
*Refunds	2,105.42	
Collections:		
Tax		703,593.50
Interest		199.55
Abatements		22,174.88
Certified to Tax Title Accounts		4,329.60
Uncollected December 31, 1967		33,342.64
	\$763,640.17	\$763,640.17

\* Includes (\$95.42) refunds for over-payment

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### MOTOR VEHICLE & TRAILER EXCISE TAXES — 1962

Recommitted 1967	\$ 7.70	
Interest	3.76	
Collections:		
Tax		7.70
Interest		3.76
	\$ 11.46	\$ 11.46

**MOTOR VEHICLE & TRAILER EXCISE TAXES — 1963**

Recommitted 1967	\$	25.58	
Interest		9.51	
Collections:			
Tax			25.58
Interest			9.51
	\$	35.09	\$ 35.09

**MOTOR VEHICLE & TRAILER EXCISE TAXES — 1964**

Uncollected January 1, 1967	\$	14.03	
Interest		3.99	
Collections:			
Tax			14.03
Interest			3.99
	\$	18.02	\$ 18.02

**MOTOR VEHICLE & TRAILER EXCISE TAXES — 1965**

Uncollected January 1, 1967	\$	1,118.01	
Recommitted 1967		20.90	
Interest		145.45	
Collections:			
Tax			771.42
Interest			145.45
Abatements			367.49
	\$	1,284.36	\$ 1,284.36

**MOTOR VEHICLE & TRAILER EXCISE TAXES — 1966**

Balance January 1, 1967	\$	12,621.40	
Committed 1967		7,832.98	
Interest		350.05	
*Refunds		1,084.81	
Collections:			
Tax			15,426.23
Interest			350.05
Abatements			2,292.27
Uncollected December 31, 1967			3,820.69
	\$	21,889.24	\$ 21,889.24

\* Includes refund for over-payment — \$13.20

**MOTOR VEHICLE & TRAILER EXCISE TAXES — 1967**

1967 Commitment	\$ 88,928.05	
Interest	151.65	
Refunds	4,036.16	
Collections:		
Tax		74,515.69
Interest		151.65
Abatements		7,390.90
Uncollected December 31, 1967		11,057.62
	<u>\$ 93,115.86</u>	<u>\$ 93,115.86</u>

**PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES — 1964**

Balance January 1, 1967	\$ 120.90	
Interest	9.10	
Collections:		
Tax		70.20
Interest		9.10
Abatements		50.70
	<u>\$ 130.00</u>	<u>\$ 130.00</u>

**PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES — 1965**

Balance January 1, 1967	\$ 133.76	
Recommitted 1967	44.00	
Interest	8.53	
Collections:		
Tax		116.16
Interest		8.53
Abatements		61.60
	<u>\$ 186.29</u>	<u>\$ 186.29</u>

**PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES — 1966**

Balance January 1, 1967	\$ 2,015.00	
Interest	4.22	
Collections:		
Tax		1,333.80
Interest		4.22
Uncollected December 31, 1967		681.20
	<u>\$ 2,019.22</u>	<u>\$ 2,019.22</u>

**PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES — 1967**

1967 Commitment	\$ 11,236.80	
Interest	1.80	
Collections:		
Tax		9,854.40
Interest		1.80
Abatements		12.00
Uncollected December 31, 1967		1,370.40
	<u>\$ 11,238.60</u>	<u>\$ 11,238.60</u>

**FARM ANIMAL EXCISE TAXES — 1964**

Balance January 1, 1967	\$ 19.37	
Abatement		19.37
	<u>\$ 19.37</u>	<u>\$ 19.37</u>

**FARM ANIMAL EXCISE TAXES — 1965**

Balance January 1, 1967	\$ 18.75	
Abatement		18.75
	<u>\$ 18.75</u>	<u>\$ 18.75</u>

**FARM ANIMAL EXCISE TAXES — 1966**

Balance January 1, 1967	\$ 21.75	
Abatement		21.75
	<u>\$ 21.75</u>	<u>\$ 21.75</u>

**FARM ANIMAL EXCISE TAXES — 1967**

Committed 1967	\$ 30.00	
Interest	.10	
Collections:		
Tax		9.75
Interest		.10
Uncollected December 31, 1967		20.25
	<u>\$ 30.10</u>	<u>\$ 30.10</u>

**WATER LIEN ACCOUNTS — 1966**

Balance January 1, 1967	\$ 79.56	
Collections		79.56
	<u>\$ 79.56</u>	<u>\$ 79.56</u>

**WATER LIEN ACCOUNTS — 1967**

Committed 1967	\$ 885.24	
Collections		732.04
Transferred to Tax Title Account		119.48
Uncollected December 31, 1967		33.72
	<u>\$ 885.24</u>	<u>\$ 885.24</u>

**SUMMARY AND COMPARISON**

1966 - 1967

**COMMITMENTS**

	1966	1967	Increase
Real Estate Taxes	\$740,840.88	\$761,335.20	\$ 20,494.32
Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes	86,008.70	96,815.21	10,806.51
Personal Property Taxes	11,532.82	11,280.80	252.02*
Farm Animal Excise Taxes	35.25	30.00	5.25*
Water Lien Accounts	659.53	885.24	225.71
Total	<u>\$839,077.18</u>	<u>\$870,346.45</u>	<u>\$ 31,269.27</u>

\* Decrease

**COLLECTIONS**

	1966	1967	Increase
Real Estate Taxes	\$726,356.98	\$749,011.12	\$ 22,654.14
Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes	76,639.53	91,425.06	14,785.53
Personal Property Taxes	10,243.66	11,398.21	1,154.55
Farm Animal Excise Taxes	13.60	9.85	3.75*
Water Lien Accounts	776.77	811.60	34.83
Total	<u>\$814,030.54</u>	<u>\$852,655.84</u>	<u>\$ 38,625.30</u>

\* Decrease



## ITEMS OF INTEREST

Total Commitments for 1967 — \$870,346.45. This represents an increase of \$31,269.27 over 1966. Total Collections \$852,655.84; an increase of \$38,625.30.

Taxes are 94.2% collected as compared to 92.7% last year. Real Estate Taxes are 95.6% collected as compared to 93.9% for 1966. Uncollected taxes total \$50,326.52. A decrease of over \$10,000.00 as compared to 1966. Interest collected on overdue Taxes, \$2,632.39.

For 1968, I have proposed a change in office hours to become effective April 1st. Under the new schedule, the Collector's Office would be open Monday through Friday and closed on Saturday. I believe that a greater service will be offered under the proposed schedule.

In closing, I extend my thanks to Town Officials and Citizens of the Town for their co-operation and support.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD E. TYLER,

Collector of Taxes

## MIDDLETON COMMUNITY SERVICES

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From: The Office of the Community Nurse

To: the Board of Health of Middleton:

I respectfully submit this report for your review.

During the year of 1967 many programs were instituted and carried out by the Community Nurse. In all, approximately 100 families were served in one capacity or another.

The Visiting Nurse Services grew considerably during the year, with a total of 904 Home Health visits being made for various treatments. Bed baths were given, Intramuscular injections were given, dressings were changed, special treatments were administered, and various other general nursing services were performed, as well as much Health Teaching. A total of 335 visits were made to Medicare Patients and 29 new patients were added to the service.

A Physical Therapist, Mrs. Judith James, was added to the Visiting Nurse Services late in the year and a total of 17 visits to 4 patients have taken place to date.

Service 7 days a week was put into operation for those who required it.

A survey for the State Department of Public Health was made. A total of 90 new infants and two year olds were visited for the purpose of securing information regarding the status of immunization of each child as well as all members of the household. The State has recently passed a law making it mandatory for each child to be immunized against Tetanus, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Measles, Polio, and Smallpox before entering school. The survey was done to find where the needs lie for children who have not been immunized against these diseases. I am proud to report that the children of Middleton are receiving very good medical care and the few who are in need of these immunizations will be given them in the near future through Clinics which will be held by the Community Nurse. The survey is still in the process and will be completed at the end of January 1968 with, hopefully, a total of 110 families being contacted.

Five Pre-Mature infants were visited with no additional visits required for Health Teaching or assistance to the mother.

There were 11 Well Child Conferences for Pre-School Children held throughout the year with 150 children in attendance. Thirteen new children were admitted to Well Child Conference, and a total of 55¼ Nurse hours were spent at Well Child Conference. Tri Sabin Oral Polio Vaccine was administered to 41 children with 27 additional children receiving 27 Booster doses. Thirteen children received D. P. T. (Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis - Whooping Cough) immunizations with an additional 28 receiving Boosters. Small Pox Vaccinations were administered to 11 children with the same 11 being given certificates of positive immunization. Dr. Wiswall performed 44 Physical Examinations, which included heights and weights of each child. Eighteen additional children were given Pre-School Physicals which, in addition to the routine physicals, includes Blood Pressure and a Blood Count. Children who were found to need further medical treatment were referred to their own private physicians. In all, a total of 193 treatments were administered at Well Child Conference.

A Measles Clinic was held in March with a total of 71 Pre-School children receiving the immunization. Later, a clinic was held in conjunction with the School Nurse, Mrs. Barbara Bowes, with 87 children receiving Measles Immunization.

In cooperation with the School Nurse a Time Test was held at school for First Grade children. This test is to detect early signs of Tuberculosis but does not necessarily mean that a person who has a positive reaction has the disease. It does mean, however, that there is a need for further testing. One hundred ninety-five children and school employees were tested. I am pleased to report that there were no positive reactors found among the children and no follow-up after the skin test was required. There were eight positive reactors found in the School Personnel tested. These people were sent to Salem Chest Clinic for X-Rays and no active T. B. was detected. All personnel tested were given recertification certificates as required by State Law and will not need to be retested for 3 years.

Mantoux tests — which is another type of skin test for T.B. were given to 30 employees of a local dairy. Eight of these showed positive reactions and were followed up with Chest X-Rays. No active T. B. was found.

Three active cases of T. B. were reported to the State Department of Public Health by the Community Nurse. All Contacts of these people were investigated and tested to determine if they had contracted the disease. The patients have all been hospitalized and are now home and under the supervision of the Community Nurse. All Contacts are also being watched. One patient is receiving

medication intramuscularly by the nurse daily and the others are receiving oral medication daily. All contacts of these and other previously reported cases are under constant supervision of the nurse and all Ex-Patients are followed for life with annual Chest X-Rays. At present, there is a total of 60 Ex-Patients and contacts being followed. A Visi-Record was set up to keep a more accurate record of these patients and to enable the nurse to know exactly when each person is due for his check-up and letters are sent informing each individual that an appointment has been made for him.

Two Asiatic Flu Clinics were held for Town Employees, with 84 persons receiving the vaccine. Twelve Employees received a series of two shots as this was necessary since they had never received the vaccine before. Only one Booster shot is necessary each year after the initial immunization.

A Lazy-Eye Clinic was held in February for Pre-Schoolers 3-4 years of age. Seventeen children were tested with only one failure. This child was referred to a private eye specialist. In April a Lazy-Eye Clinic was held for children who were registering for First Grade. One hundred three children were tested with no failures recorded.

In addition the Community Nurse attended many Conferences with Public Health Nurse Advisors, Department of Public Health Officials, The School Nurse, and Administrators, the Welfare Department, Health Agent, Nurses Advisory Committee, State Officials for Medicare, Officials from Blue Cross-Blue Shield, State Consultants for T. B. Control, Salvation Army Officials, and Mrs. Judith James, the Physical Therapist on the V. N. A. Services.

The Community Nurse also attended several workshops on the care, follow-up, and rehabilitation of the patient with Tuberculosis which were held at Middlesex County Sanatorium in Waltham, and Conferences held at North Reading Rehabilitation Center concerning Medicare Administration and operation of a Home Health Agency.

A meeting of the Golden Age Club was attended by the Nurse to explain Medicare and its benefits. A film was shown by a Local District Official for Social Security and leaflets were distributed. A brief talk was given by the Nurse, which climaxed with the Nurse receiving a beautiful plaque denoting that Middleton Community Services — after many long hours of hard work to meet standards specified by Medicare — had met the requirements to qualify to accept Medicare Patients and become an Official Home Health Agency.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who have helped to make my first year as Community Nurse as successful and enjoyable as it has been. To Mrs. Mary Santapaula, who has been of tremendous help in caring for the patients I owe many thanks and much gratitude. Together, a total of 1408½ Nurse Hours were accumulated.

Respectfully submitted,

(MRS.) MARIE T. DESCHAMPS, R.N.

Community Nurse

### STATEMENT OF INCOME TO MIDDLETON COMMUNITY SERVICES, INC.

Statement covers period from Jan. 1, 1967 to Jan. 1, 1968

	MEDICARE PAYMENTS	WELFARE PAYMENTS	PATIENT PAYMENTS
January	\$174.00	\$ 55.00	\$24.00
	198.00		8.00
	122.00		25.00
February	48.00	41.00	2.00
March	24.00	40.00	7.20
	6.00		
April	48.00	89.40	\$66.20
	30.00		
	3.20		
	33.60		
May	24.00	34.00	
June	24.00	41.00	
	36.00		
	43.20		
	66.00		
July	24.00	160.00	
	27.20		
	33.60		
August	28.80	155.00	
	4.80		
September	66.00	40.00	
	30.00		
	82.40		
	24.00		
	78.00		
October	64.50	30.00	
	6.00		

November	42.00	30.00
	192.00	
	116.00	
December	48.00	10.88
	4.80	
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
	\$1,680.10	\$726.28

Total Cash Received \$2,472.58

Total Amount Outstanding From Medicare .....	\$ 754.35
Total Amount Outstanding From Patients .....	77.22
Total Amount Outstanding From Board of Health .....	90.00
Total Amount Outstanding From Survey for State .....	450.00
Total Amount Outstanding From Medicare for month of Dec.	215.70
Total Amount Outstanding From Welfare for month of Dec.	20.88

\$2,472.58	Total Cash Received
218.00	Well Child Conference

<u>\$2,690.58</u>	Total Received
1,506.45	Amount Outstanding

<u>\$4,197.03</u>	Total Earnings 1967
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Addition to Statement of income to Middleton Community Services, Inc. covering period from Jan. 1, 1967 to Jan. 1, 1968.

Income from Well Child Conference

January .....	\$ 14.00	May .....	\$ 17.00
February .....	10.00	June .....	20.00
March .....	22.00	June .....	41.00
March .....	27.00	September .....	6.00
April .....	22.00		
April .....	16.00	Total .....	<u>\$218.00</u>
May .....	23.00		



## CONSERVATION COMMISSION REPORT

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the citizens of the town of Middleton

The Conservation Commission respectfully submits its report for the year ending December 31, 1967.

During the year the Conservation Commission has continued to work with agencies and town bodies in an endeavor to initiate programs and carry through the projects best suited to the town and its natural resources. Regular meetings were held at Memorial Hall each second Tuesday of the month.

The Town Common Project has again been of major interest to the Commission. Many, many hours have been spent in negotiating the necessary measures for presenting to the townspeople the full picture of the project's intent, procedure and necessary immediate steps. A brochure has been prepared for this purpose and will be presented to the townspeople once it has been fully endorsed by the governing town bodies. This commission feels strongly that this space for future municipal use is necessary and the task a worthy one. Work on this project will continue.

This year the Commission gratefully accepted the gifts of two more parcels of land totalling approximately 25 acres. One parcel, containing 15 acres, is located off Peabody Street in the vicinity of the Gorham property; the other parcel, containing approximately 10 acres, is located off East Street in the vicinity of the Rubchinuk property. These parcels were turned over to the custody of the Essex County Green Belt Association and brings to a total of about 125 acres being held for the benefit of the people of the town of Middleton.

Projects planned for the ensuing year will involve the Ipswich River, which is one of our greatest natural assets, other waterways and wetlands, woodlands and historical sites.

The Conservation Commission wishes at this time to thank each and everyone who has in any way contributed to the efforts of this body and its cause.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY N. SAWYER, Chairman  
FRANCIS E. GORHAM  
THOMAS MANNING  
JOHN COMACK  
LEONARD W. KUPREANCE



## FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen, and the  
Citizens of the Town of Middleton:

I hereby submit my Annual Report of the Fire Department  
for the year ending December 31, 1967.

The Fire Department personnel consists of a permanent Chief,  
Deputy-Chief, one Private, and a call force of a Captain, four  
Lieutenants, and twenty Privates for a total of twenty-eight men.

The Fire Department answered a record number of 306 calls  
in 1967. They are as follows:

Buildings .....	9
Automobiles .....	22
Brush, Woods, Rubbish, Grass .....	67
Dumps .....	11
Oil Burners .....	5
Electrical .....	14
Chimneys .....	1
Ovens and Stoves .....	4
Washing Machines and Dryers .....	2
Miscellaneous Calls (Accidents, Etc.) .....	16
Service Calls .....	51
Rescue Calls .....	28
Investigations (Smoke, Gas, Etc.) .....	23
Assist Police .....	5
Mutual Aid Calls .....	22
Needless Calls .....	13
False Alarms .....	13
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Total	306
Box Alarms .....	100
Still Alarms .....	206
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Total	306

Inspections, and Permits granted for the following:

Permits to Burn .....	544
Oil Burners .....	20
Explosives .....	3
Fireworks .....	0
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Total	567

All Town buildings, and churches were inspected, as well as both elementary schools, and nursery schools. Fire Drills were conducted in all schools.

The equipment of the department is generally in good repair. We are still short of 2½" hose, and ask continued support to build up an adequate supply.

The Fire Alarm System is in good repair. As mentioned in last year's report our central office equipment was becoming overloaded. It has now reached its capacity. With the prospects of the M.I.T. project now becoming a reality, and the prospects of new business buildings, as well as general fire alarm expansion, we will need new equipment very soon. One fire alarm box was added to the system this past year. This was box 423 located at 88 Boston Street. Fire Alarm wires were shifted to new poles, replacing poles damaged by accidents, general replacement of old poles, etc.

I again mention the fact that all Town buildings should have Fire Detection Systems tied into the Fire Alarm System.

Our Drill School in its 13th year is a well attended, and continued success.

This year the Fire Department hosted a two day seminar on pumps, hydraulics and hose evolutions, sponsored by the Vocational Education Bureau of the Massachusetts Department of Education, and the Massachusetts Institute of Fire Department Instructors. This was held on November 4 and 5, and was attended by 17 members of our department, and by men from Danvers, Topsfield, North Reading, and Wakefield, for a total of 51 men. This was the first seminar of its kind on the North Shore.

We still experience a shortage of manpower between the hours of 8:00 A.M., and 6:00 P.M. during the week. This problem is now extending into the weekends, Saturday and Sunday. This is not a lack of interest but the trend of the times.

Each year in my report I urge the Citizens of the Town to Dial the Fire Department number 774-2211, and NOT the operator. I emphasize the importance of dialing direct. If there is a Fire Alarm Box in your area use it. This is a direct contact with the Fire Department, and is most dependable.

To the Board of Selectmen, Department Heads, and the Citizens of the Town, I thank you for your cooperation during the past year.

To the officers, and men, many thanks for your continued efforts, and cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD F. PURDY, Chief

## FLINT PUBLIC LIBRARY

### Annual Report of the Librarian 1967

The year 1967 will be noted in the Library's history for some long overdue changes indicating several shifts in programs and policies. The most noticeable change occurred with the decision to provide more up-to-date charging desk facilities, which meant the removal of the old counter which glared at you as you passed through the front door and created a barricade to the book stacks at the rear of the building. Adopting an "open door" policy, the trustees authorized the removal of the 1891 monster and the construction of a modern unit in a local woodworking shop. The new unit, set parallel to the main axis of the library, provides the staff members with more convenient space charging materials in and out, as well as better supervision of all areas except for the adult reading room.

The removal of the old circulation desk enabled us to allocate better space for the new table and chairs purchased especially for the pre-school children, who had previously been squeezed into a tight area in the foreground of the old desk. Now we are able to seat six youngsters at a table of proper height, with picture books and magazines suitable to their ages and tastes. This change in the library supplements the earlier service to this age group with the story hours offered weekly by Mrs. Lansing English at the Fuller Meadow School. Since these sessions are now attracting twice the attendance of the previous year, plans are being drawn, contingent upon financial support, to offer one or two more weekly sessions, at the library or in another school building, in an attempt to reach out to more pre-schoolers. In line with this emphasis the Library added a set of 32 filmstrips and recordings illustrating outstanding children's books of earlier years, principally the Newbery and Caldecott Medal winners. Also added were recordings of famous storytellers reciting some favorite fairy and folk tales from around the world. These aids and the new books should assist Mrs. English in strengthening her popularity among the "young fry" and launch them into an acquaintance with the best books, pictures and recordings. With hoped for support we plan to add a good filmstrip and slide projector to our record player to enhance this program, and others, considerably.

Sparked by the insights provided by Dan Fader in **Hooked on Books**, the initial stage of a paperback book collection for the

teen-age group has been started, with full promotion coming early in 1968. It is hoped that many who dislike the "heavyweight" library volumes will choose titles from the special display racks, which feature the cover designs and not the spines as ordinary shelving does. While the titles were originally chosen by a group of practically non-reading teen-agers, many of the selections may well attract the attention of adults. If the teen-age and adult groups respond favorably to this innovation, a further expansion of paperback holdings will be carried out later in the year on a continuous basis.

Many of the outstanding adult titles of the year, fiction and non-fiction alike, were acquired during the year, supplemented by hundreds of volumes from the bookmobile of the State Regional Library at North Reading. The outstanding adult title purchased was the 1967 edition of the *Encyclopedia Britannica*, which now joins the other major sets on our shelves, a fitting climax to the earlier emphasis on the children's need for *World Book* and *Compton's*. While we don't attempt to record the number of reference questions or the use of reference books, this section is almost constantly in use by young adults and those adults curious about recent developments in special fields.

To promote library service to adults the librarian spoke briefly at the December meeting of the Golden Age group, emphasizing the range of materials and services available for individual and group use, particularly with the full development of the Eastern Mass. Regional Public Library System, which the Flint joined at the earliest occasion. The element of program planning, with adults or younger groups, will be expanded to all organizations and individuals in town, as interest is expressed; the youth leaders in St. Agnes and the Congregational churches are already availing themselves of the audio-visual resources provided by the system. More will be done as time and energy permits, partially contingent upon the availability of proper equipment which the Library should be acquiring for public use. In the meantime we are attempting to utilize school and private equipment insofar as possible. However, to expand these services to the fullest extent possible, we need to invest in various types of projection equipment, folding or stacking chairs for small group sessions, four more headphone sets, and then a steady investment in the recordings, filmstrips, slides, etc. Many special programs could be made available with materials from the regional library system, as well as from institutions like the Museum of Science, Boston Museum of Fine Arts, or the National Gallery of Art.

Along with the above activities the Library has regularly featured displays of ETV news from Ch. 2 and the special program notices from the Television Information Office (TIO), N.Y. A recent extension of this service is to reproduce the advance notes on special programs, such as the new Repertory Theater and the NET Playhouse series. Copies of these notes, supplemented by background reading lists, are given freely at the library, through the cooperation afforded by Superintendent of Schools Fitzgerald and his excellent staff who thereby further the community's total educational program.

Increasing emphasis during the year was directed at the magazine collection, doubling our coverage over previous years and supporting far more areas of interest and public concern. For example, in the hobby-arts and crafts fields, we now have: Craft Horizons, Electronics World, Flower Grower, Flying, Hobbies, Jazz, Motor Boating, Popular Mechanics, Popular Science, and Scott's Monthly (stamp) Journal. Sports and the outdoors by: American Forests, Audubon Magazine, Field & Stream, Guns & Ammo, National Parks, and Sports Illustrated. Current news and public affairs are represented by: American Education, American Heritage, Atlantic, Boston, Business Week, Congressional Digest, Ebony, Fortune, Harper's, Life, Look, Newsweek, Ramparts, Reader's Digest, Satevepost, Scientific American, Time and U.S. News & World Report. Consumer and household concerns by: Better Homes & Gardens, Changing Times, Consumer Reports, Ladies Home Journal, Parents Magazine, and Today's Health. Children and young adults by: American Girl, Boy's Life, Child Life, Hot Rod, and Seventeen. The regular library subscriptions are supplemented by several donations from individuals and organizations, including those donated by OEO and NASA.

Statistically the year showed mixed progress, a slight decrease in attendance but increased circulation of books and doubled use of magazines. Since keeping records on the use of the stereo headsets, the staff has recorded a steady increase in use, mostly by the primary age group, occasionally by adults. Newly registered borrowers numbered 135; there were 887 volumes added and 770 discarded; magazine back files almost doubled. The storage of the latter continues to press upon the available shelf space, adding further reasons for continuous discarding of old books which are no longer useful in a circulating collection, which the public library must maintain.

The conclusion this report should indicate is the considerable progress in many areas of library service within the existing physical limitations of a late Victorian building which is monumental



in design, but less functional than required in present times. Further development along the lines already indicated should follow in the coming year, complemented by coordinated programs in purchasing, storage, and sharing of resources within the Masconomet region. During the coming year a prime concern will be the development of detailed plans for the physical expansion of the library plant, briefly mentioned in the Master Plan for Middleton. The desirable, attractive and functional elements of the existing structure will form the nucleus of a modernized structure capable of supporting the varied activities and services which a contemporary library should offer its community, in essence a functioning cultural, educational and recreational center for all ages and all interests.

Respectfully submitted,

PHILIP E. NORTHWAY,

Librarian

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## FLINT PUBLIC LIBRARY

### Treasurer's Report

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Appropriation for Salaries		\$ 6,745.00
Salaries:		
Librarian	\$ 2,100.00	
Librarian's Assistants	3,838.40	
Janitor	700.00	
Total Salaries		\$ 6,638.40
Balance, Returned to Revenue		\$ 106.60
Appropriation for Expenses	\$ 5,000.00	
Add-Dog Tax	682.32	
State Aid	929.50	
Finance Committee Allocation	.15	
Total		\$ 6,611.97
Expenses:		
Magazines	\$ 637.75	
Books	1,924.44	
Librarian's Supplies	755.39	

Janitor's Supplies	82.01	
Fuel	593.06	
Light	105.06	
Water	36.00	
Insurance	496.00	
Building Maintenance	711.95	
Equipment	850.76	
Telephone	97.95	
Records and Film Strips	269.30	
Miscellaneous	52.30	
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Total		\$ 6,611.97

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### FLINT PUBLIC LIBRARY FUNDS

Balance, Jan. 1, 1967		\$ 146.81
Income:		
Book Fines (Overdue books)	\$ 340.89	
Books lost or damaged	34.05	
B. F. Emerson Fund	521.93	
Charles L. Flint Fund	290.36	
Mary Esty Emerson Fund	147.11	
Walter S. Flint Memorial Fund	96.25	
Miscellaneous	2.98	1,433.57
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Total Income		1,580.38
Expenses:		
Books	\$ 1,032.78	
Magazines	3.87	
Bank Service Charges	3.85	
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Total Expenses		1,040.50
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Balance, Dec. 31, 1967		\$ 539.88

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### MARY ESTY EMERSON FUND

E. O. Campbell, Jr., in account with Flint Public Library:		
Mary Esty Emerson Fund, principal	\$	2,500.00
On Deposit, Danvers Savings Bank, Dec. 31, 1967		3,057.73

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### WALTER S. FLINT MEMORIAL FUND

E. O. Campbell, Jr., in account with Flint Public Library:		
Walter S. Flint Memorial Fund, Principal	\$	2,000.00
On Deposit, Danvers Savings Bank, Dec. 31, 1967		2,000.00



**CHARLES L. FLINT FUND**

E. O. Campbell, Jr., in account with Flint Public Library:		
Charles L. Flint Fund, Principal		\$ 5,000.00
On Deposit in Banks, Dec. 31, 1967:		
Salem 5c Savings Bank	\$	986.88
Salem Savings Bank		510.73
Danvers Savings Bank		1,420.40
Essex-Broadway Savings Bank		2,866.96
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Total		\$ 5,784.97

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**B. F. EMERSON TRUST FUND**

Received from Naumkeag Trust Co., Salem (Trustee)	\$	521.93
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Respectfully submitted,

E. O. CAMPBELL, JR., Treas.

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## REPORT OF GAS INSPECTOR

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the  
Citizens of the Town of Middleton.

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit my annual report as gas inspector for the  
Town of Middleton.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Board of  
Selectmen, the gas companies and the residents of the Town of  
Middleton for their cooperation.

Permits may be obtained by calling 774-9476 or at 61 Essex  
Street.

66 Inspections and permits granted.

Amount collected and turned over to the Town Treasurer \$221.50

Respectfully submitted,

BURT HURD

Gas Inspector

## REPORT OF BOARD OF HEALTH AGENT

I herewith submit my report for the calendar year of 1967 to the Board of Health and the citizens of the town of Middleton:

Permits granted for sewage disposal installations .....	25
Installations inspected and approved .....	25
Installations not completed .....	8
*Fees for permits paid to the Town Treasurer .....	\$335.00
Complaints of unsanitary conditions investigated .....	52
Water tests taken at public bathing areas .....	25
Contagious diseases reported .....	59
Animal bites reported to Board of Health .....	4
Food serving establishments inspected .....	14
Travel vaccinations visas approved .....	3

Several conferences have been held with state officials relative to health matters requiring state approval.

*Fee for installers permits for sanitary sewage works, expiration date 12/31 of each year .....	\$10.00
*Partial replacement of sanitary sewage works .....	5.00
*Complete replacement of sanitary sewage works .....	15.00
*Commercial installation of sanitary sewage works .....	25.00

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR R. DONOVAN, Agent

## REPORT OF HIGHWAY SURVEYOR

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the  
Citizens of the Town of Middleton:

I hereby submit my report for the year of 1967.

### SNOW REMOVAL

Snow removal money was expended as follows:

Labor .....	\$ 8,593.69
Equipment .....	8,239.50
Sand .....	2,715.79
Salt .....	1,989.99
Snow Plow Blades and Parts .....	2,452.52
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	\$23,991.49

### CHAPTER 81

The usual Patching, Drainage and general Maintenance work  
was done and the following streets were resurfaced:

Essex Street .....	1.40 miles
Forest Street .....	.35 miles
Gregory Street .....	.57 miles
Lake Street .....	.30 miles
Liberty Street .....	.80 miles
Mill Street .....	.50 miles
Peabody Street .....	.30 miles
Perkins Road .....	.25 miles
Highland Road .....	.13 miles
Pine Street .....	.06 miles

### CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION

We are still waiting for slope easements on Forest Street.  
We have jumped ahead and started again. Forest Street should be  
finished in three more years.

### CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE

This money was expended on Boston and Essex Streets.

**GENERAL HIGHWAY**

General Highway work consisted of patching drainage, cleaning streets, and all other work not covered by Chapter 81.

**STORM DRAINS**

This money was expended on Lakeview Road and Locust Street.

Respectfully submitted,

ALLAN G. MARSHALL

Highway Surveyor

## REPORT OF HOUSING AUTHORITY

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the  
Citizens of the Town of Middleton

Gentlemen:

The Middleton Housing Authority respectfully submits its second annual report for the year ending Dec. 31, 1967.

To bring the citizens of the town up to date on the Authorities progress we would like to start by referring back to our annual report of 1966. At that time we were planning on going to bid for the first elderly housing project in Middleton in February of 1967. This was to be a thirty (30) unit project at a total construction cost of \$405,000.00. The bidding went on as scheduled, however, the construction cost was in excess of what was allotted by the State.

Therefore, our architect redesigned and we now are constructing fifty-four (54) units and a community building on our site on Route 114 just North of Wennerberg Road. Total construction cost will now be in excess of \$700,000.00 but the per unit cost has been reduced by \$1,100.

Progress has been very good since the beginning of construction in early June. At this time all of the buildings are up and several are closed in so that work may proceed through the winter.

We hope to start interviews for prospective occupants about mid February and hope to start moving people in at about the beginning of June.

The Housing Authority would like to take this opportunity to thank all the Town Departments for their co-operation throughout the year 1967.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES S. CLINCH, JR., Chairman  
CARL A. PETERSON, Vice Chairman  
RICHARD G. FLOYD, JR., Treasurer  
RICHARD G. GOODALE, Secretary

## REPORT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and

Citizens of the Town of Middleton:  
Gentlemen:

The Industrial Development Commission respectfully submits its report for the year ending December 31, 1967.

The R & K Precision Company opened its doors for business in August in their very attractive new building on South Main Street. The firm, which now employs approximately 110 people, has plans for possible future expansion.

Another advance in industrial development in Middleton was the ground-breaking for the new M.I.T. Linear Accelerator Complex located near the Essex Agricultural School. This facility for the Atomic Energy Commission might in the future attract new industry to our town, if firms requiring the use of its equipment, desire a more convenient location.

An excellent brochure which literally puts Middleton on the map was published this year under the direction of Mr. Frank Jones of the Arlington Trust Company. We wish to thank Mr. Jones and the Committee who worked on this brochure for a job well done.

In December, we received from the Massachusetts Department of Commerce and Development an act providing for further industrial development of cities and towns through the issuance of municipal revenue bonds, known as Chapter 40D of the Acts of 1967. An extensive study of this act is being made to determine what further action should be taken.

We wish to thank the various town officials for their assistance and cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

WAYNE D. VAN ALSTYNE, Chairman  
HENRY G. ROBERGE  
LIONEL BARROWS  
BARRY IRISH  
HELEN F. RICHARDSON, Secretary  
ROBERT G. GOWEN, Selectman



## LIST OF JURORS

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Mr. Charles H. Metcalf  
Assistant Clerk of Courts  
Salem, Massachusetts

Dear Sir:

Following is a list of the Jurors prepared by the Selectmen of the Town of Middleton, in accordance with Chapter 234, Section 4, General Laws:

Name	Street	Occupation
Coffin, Vir Whitney	84 So. Main St.	Machine Operator
Dobson, Benjamin W.	182 Boston St.	
Howe, Frank G.	67 Forest St.	Inspector
Masse, Francis X.	88 East St.	Planner
Miller, George W.	60 Liberty St.	Tool & Die
Swiderski, Anthony A.	32 East St.	Equip. Dept.
Sliney, Edward, Jr.	155 Forest St.	Foreman
Veilleux, Raymond P.	88 East St.	Cafeteria
Wennerberg, Ebbe B.	Park Ave.	Tool Grinder
Wilichoski, Philip G.	Pine Rd.	
Williams, Stanley S.	10 Meagher St.	Comptroller
Witham, Wilbur A.	70 No. Main St.	Lineman
Woodbury, Paul F.	Liberty St.	Foreman
Young, Vernon H.	56 School St.	
Sterling, Richard E.	29 Pleasant St.	Jig Borer

Very truly yours,

### BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Leslie E. Merrifield, Chairman  
Thomas F. Dolan, Clerk  
Robert G. Gowen

## MUNICIPAL LIGHT DEPARTMENT REPORT

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Honorable Board of Selectmen and the  
Citizens of the Town of Middleton

Gentlemen:

The Board of Electric Light Commissioners respectfully submits its report for the year ending December 31, 1967.

During the year, regular and special meetings were held by this Board at its office on South Main Street.

Total Power Purchased	13,916,606 kwh
Total Cost of Power	\$166,536.94
Peak Demand	2925 kw
Date Occurred	Dec. 27 6:00-6:15 p.m.
Three wire services installed, new	22
Three wire services, converted	23
Three wire services, relocated	2
Four wire, 3 phase services, new	10
Four wire 3 phase services, converted	1
Temporary services installed	7
New primary distribution lines construction	8,190 feet
Primary distribution lines rebuilt for increased current capacity	11,900 feet

Street Light modernization included the replacement of four 2,500 lumen incandescent lights with 100 watt mercury vapor lights to improve light output at lower power cost. Street Light Service and Power for street lights was supplied to the Town by the Municipal Light Department at a savings of \$11,400.00 less than rates charged by the private power company serving other nearby communities.

Commercial Power rate was reduced by  $\frac{1}{4}$  cent per kwh effective Jan. 1, 1968. The Middleton Municipal Light Department joined with twenty other municipal light departments and the Power Planning Committee of the Massachusetts Municipal Electric Association to engage attorney George Spiegel, Washington, D.C. to present their complaint before the Federal Power Commission seeking further reduction in wholesale power rates.

Your light department also, as reported last year, was one of the five original Municipal Light Departments of the Middlesex Essex Power Pool formed for the purpose of establishing sources of lowest cost wholesale power. This pool now numbers 28 municipals and has undertaken initial studies necessary to obtain permits and authority for construction of a power plant by a non-profit entity, the low cost power production of which plant would be primarily available to the Municipals.

We wish to take this opportunity to thank the Town Officials and all other Town Departments and our consumers for their cooperation during the past year.

BOARD OF ELECTRIC LIGHT  
COMMISSIONERS

Richard O. Ajootian, Chairman

Robert W. Fox

Frank E. Dow

## PARK DEPARTMENT REPORT

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the  
Citizens of the Town of Middleton.

We are able to report some progress at Recreation Park, where a third back-stop was installed for baseball. We would like to call attention to the original back-stop which is in deplorable condition. A sum of money has been asked to replace or repair it.

At the John Hocter Park we have approximately two acres of grass land, and a back-stop has been erected there for the Little League.

At the park at the South Middleton Improvement Association we have repaired the back-stop there, and it will be useable this spring.

At the East Street pool the additional land on the other side was partially sanded and the added space was well utilized.

We wish to thank the various departments for their cooperation and assistance during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

ERNEST R. GOULD

Park Superintendent

## PERSONNEL REVIEW BOARD

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Selectmen: Town of Middleton

In accordance with the responsibility assigned to this committee, we have evaluated the establishment of a Personnel Board for the Town of Middleton. In arriving at our decision, copies of similar Personnel Board by-laws were studied by all committee members, adopted by Towns such as Hamilton, Danvers, Amesbury, and Nahant. It should be noted that in all Towns we studied, the Personnel Board has been operating effectively and to the betterment of both the Towns and the employees.

It is documented that the various departments of the Town of Middleton have no operational town-wide policies in regard to vacations, sick benefits, insurance, hours worked, salaries, and promotional opportunities. In addition, there is no set regulations in the areas of hiring practices, department transfers, retirement, grievances, holidays or leaves of absence. Probably the greatest area of confusion rests in the salary and wage administration, and sick leave accumulation.

It must be recognized that in this age of progress, Middleton must, as other towns have, adopt policies and procedures to maintain its current competent town employees and also be in a position to attract new people as the openings arise. Positions which originated as "part time" are now or are gradually becoming, full time vocations for our people. They must be fairly and adequately compensated in a time when all personal living costs are constantly rising. It is obvious that quite a few of our town employees are working under conditions that are antiquated and salaries that are equally deficient.

Under our present haphazard wage and salary structure one does not know if he is paid adequately nor does one know where he is headed salary-wise in the future. This condition is certainly not one to keep or recruit efficient town employees.

It is the opinion of this committee that the article calling for the appointment of a Personnel Board be adopted. In no other way will the efficiency and continued dedication of our town employees be insured.

This committee extends its gratitude to all persons and departments who have provided information requested enabling us to provide our recommendation.

Respectively submitted,

PERSONNEL REVIEW BOARD

B. Greenbaum, Chairman

David Farnham, Clerk

T. F. Dolan

C. Henry Ohlson

Wilbur Witham

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## REPORT OF THE PLUMBING INSPECTOR

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the  
Citizens of the Town of Middleton.

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit my annual report as Plumbing Inspector for the Town of Middleton.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Board of Selectmen, the Plumbing companies and the residents of the Town of Middleton for their cooperation.

Permits may be obtained by calling 774-9476 or at 61 Essex Street.

35 Inspections and permits granted.

Amount collected and turned over to the Town Treasurer \$362.50

Respectfully submitted,

BURT HURD

Plumbing Inspector



## POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the  
Citizens of the Town of Middleton  
Gentlemen:

I hereby submit my report of the Middleton Police Department  
for the year ending December 31, 1967.

### DEPARTMENT ROSTER

James W. Wentworth, Chief of Police

David W. DiTomaso, Sergeant                      Edward J. Richardson, Sergeant

### REGULAR SPECIALS

Arthur G. Doane	Douglas K. MacMillin
William C. Pennock	Robert T. Peachey
Robert Hurd	Henry Bouchard
Peter F. Mugford	

### OFFENSES FOR WHICH ARRESTS WERE MADE

Assault and Battery .....	1
Being abroad in the night-time .....	2
Breaking and entering in the night-time .....	1
Contributing to delinquency of a minor .....	1
Disturbing the peace .....	1
Drunkenness .....	42
Escaped persons .....	2
Failing to stop for a police officer .....	1
Fugitive from justice .....	1
Insane persons .....	5
Larceny .....	2
Non-support .....	1
Operating a motor vehicle after suspension of license .....	2
Operating a motor vehicle so as to endanger .....	1
Operating a motor vehicle while under influence of liquor .....	6
Operating a motor vehicle without a valid license .....	3
Operating a motor vehicle without a periodic inspection sticker .....	3
Operating a motor vehicle without proper headgear .....	1
Parking violation .....	1
Possession of a dangerous weapon .....	2
Possession of alcoholic beverage being a minor .....	2

Possession of stolen property .....	1
Runaway .....	1
Speeding .....	3
Using a motor vehicle without authority .....	5
<b>TOTAL .....</b>	<b>92</b>

### MOTOR VEHICLE OFFENSES FOR WHICH COMPLAINTS WERE ISSUED

Alcoholic beverages in a motor vehicle under the control of a minor .....	6
Allowing an improper person to operate .....	5
Attaching improper plates .....	2
Defective equipment .....	3
Disposal of rubbish on highway .....	2
Failing to slow at an intersection .....	1
Failing to stop for a police officer .....	2
Failing to use care in emerging onto state highway .....	3
Following too close .....	1
Illegal turns .....	1
Improper display of lights .....	3
Leaving scene of accident after causing property damage .....	2
Operating a motorcycle without proper headgear .....	9
Operating a motor vehicle so as to endanger .....	7
Operating a motor vehicle while under influence of liquor .....	7
Operating a motor vehicle without a valid license .....	8
Operating an uninsured motor vehicle .....	5
Operating an unregistered motor vehicle .....	6
Operating a motor vehicle after suspension of license .....	3
Operating a motor vehicle without registration in possession .....	8
Passing while view obstructed .....	25
Periodic inspection sticker .....	27
Possession of an altered license .....	1
Speeding .....	104
Stop sign or flashing red light .....	3
Using a motor vehicle without authority .....	2
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>246</b>

### OFFENSES ON FILE AND WARNINGS ISSUED

Alcoholic beverage in possession of a minor .....	6
Allowing an improper person to operate a motor vehicle .....	5
Defective equipment .....	17
Disposal of rubbish on a highway .....	2
Failure to disburse .....	9

Failure to display lights .....	4
Failure to have truck markings .....	1
Failure to use care in starting .....	8
False alarms .....	5
Flashing red light .....	10
Improper display of plates .....	2
Improper turns .....	9
Malicious destruction of property .....	1
Operating without a license in possession .....	8
Operating without a registration in possession .....	13
Operating without proper headgear .....	8
Passing with view obstructed .....	14
Periodic inspection sticker .....	4
Possession of fireworks .....	2
Speeding .....	168
Stop sign .....	10
Trespassing .....	11
<b>TOTAL</b> .....	<b>317</b>

### MISCELLANEOUS

Accidental deaths .....	1
Ambulance cases .....	87
Automobile accidents investigated .....	84
Automobile accidents reported — not investigated .....	179
Camp and house checks made by police department .....	200
Complaints received and investigated .....	810
Cruiser cases .....	56
Dogs shot by police department .....	3
Escaped persons returned to Danvers State Hospital .....	6
Equipment tags issued for defective equipment .....	164
Fire alarms that police responded to .....	88
Man hours spent in court .....	347
Messages delivered .....	96
Missing and lost persons found .....	17
Summons and warrants served .....	364
<b>TOTAL</b> .....	<b>2,502</b>

Turned over to the Town Treasurer for firearm permits	\$ 48.00
Stolen property recovered and restitution .....	17,067.00
Court fines as a result of police cases .....	3,762.00

There were 44 residents who lost their drivers licenses as a result of improper motor vehicle operation.

As in the past, the Police Department has conducted many investigations not listed above which have been settled satisfactorily to all concerned without making arrests or going to court.

In closing the men are to be commended for their prompt response and their efficiency of operation. A sincere thanks is extended to the State Police, Officials of the Town of Middleton, and the Board of Selectmen as well as the Townspeople. To all those who have assisted this department in any way, we are grateful.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES W. WENTWORTH

Chief of Police

## RECREATION COMMITTEE REPORT

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The Middleton Recreation Committee holds open meetings the third Monday each month, 8:00 p.m., at Memorial Hall.

The swimming program at Thunder Bridge was continued last year with an enrollment of one hundred and ten children. Eighty-one children passed their tests and were awarded certificates. The Recreation Committee wishes to thank the town departments for their interested assistance in preparing for the program, the townspeople who voluntarily helped with the chores, and the Lynn Boys' Club for again letting us hold advanced lessons at their pool.

Due to the generous actions of the South Middleton Improvement Association, the Town has acquired the use of their land for recreation purposes. Land preparation for a ballfield was started, backstop posts were set, and the field will be available this coming spring.

Similar preparations were done at the John Hctor Park and it also will be available in the spring.

During the coming year, we are expecting a report on "The Natural Resources Inventory" which is being prepared by the U.S. Soil Conservation Service, Essex Conservation District.

### MIDDLETON RECREATION COMMITTEE

Thomas Manning, Chairman

Mrs. Mary Hctor

Mrs. Norma Natham

Richard Ajootian

E. Raymond Gould

Carl Ohlson

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## SCHOOL REPORT

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### School Committee

MRS. GEORGIA LEWIS, Chairman	Term Expires 1968
MRS. ANNIE J. DOW, Secretary	Term Expires 1970
MR. FRANCIS MASSE	Term Expires 1970
MR. DAVID HARDING	Term Expires 1969
MR. RALPH LeDUC	Term Expires 1968

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### SUPERINTENDENT

FRANCIS N. FITZGERALD

Office: Howe-Manning School

Tel. 774-3517

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### School Calendar

1968

Open January 2, 1968

Close February 16, 1968

VACATION — ONE WEEK

Open February 26, 1968

Close April 11, 1968

VACATION — ONE WEEK

Open April 22, 1968

Close June 21, 1968

SUMMER VACATION

Open September 4, 1968

Close December 20, 1968

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Good Friday

November 11 and 28

OCTOBER 12

(and such other days as the School Committee may designate)

The School Calendar may be subject to change

## No School Signals

The following no school signals have been adopted:

- a. 2-2-2 blast on the fire alarm
- b. 2 blasts at the B. B. Chemical Company
- c. Radio Stations WHDH, Boston, and WESX, Salem, will carry an announcement on their regular no-school broadcasts.

The signal for the Elementary Schools will be at 7:15 a.m.

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## SCHOOL CENSUS

### October 1, 1967

Age Group	Total
7 yrs. to 15 yrs. 11 mos. ....	712
6 yrs. to 6 yrs. 11 mos. ....	100
5 yrs. to 5 yrs. 11 mos. ....	91
4 yrs. to 4 yrs. 11 mos. ....	92
3 yrs. to 3 yrs. 11 mos. ....	93
2 yrs. to 2 yrs. 11 mos. ....	84
1 yr. to 1 yr. 11 mos. ....	70
0 yr. to 11 mos. ....	56
Private School Pupils .....	11

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## Age of School Admission

All children born on or before December 31, 1962 are eligible to attend school in the coming fall terms. No entrance tests for children under the age requirements will be given.

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## Employment Certificates

Certificates for the employment of minors between the ages of 14-18 may be obtained at the Superintendent's office during regular office hours.



## MIDDLETON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

## Corps of Teachers 1967-1968

Name		Date of	
		Grade	Appointment
Eugene C. Winter, Jr.,	M.Ed. Boston University	Supr'g.	Aug. 1967
Ruth Chasse, M.Ed.	Lesley College	Prin.	Nov. 1964
Catherine Devane	Lesley College	Vice- Prin.	
Eileen Hammond, B.S.	Boston College	1	Sept. 1937
Sandra Budzinski, B.S.	Northeastern Univ.	1	Sept. 1962
Villa Lavorgna	Farmington State Teachers College	1	Sept. 1966
Veronica McIntosh	Mt. St. Mary College	2	Sept. 1960
Kristine Surpitski	Salem S. Teachers Col.	2	Sept. 1964
Faylene Webber	Farmington Normal	2	Sept. 1966
Eleanor Cassidy, B.S.	Salem S. Teachers Col.	2	Sept. 1964
Joanne Thoms, B.S.	Gordon College	3	Sept. 1955
Mary Ann Vachon, B.A.	Riviera College, Nashua, N.H.	3	Sept. 1966
Grace Fall	Keene St. Teachers College, N.H.	3	Sept. 1966
Susan Cohen, B.S.	Boston University	Trans.	Dec. 1961
Joan Lobdell, B.A.	University of Mass.	4	Sept. 1966
Leea Sterling, B.S.	Gordon College	4	Sept. 1967
Patricia Coleman, B.S.	Salem S. Teachers Col.	4	Sept. 1967
Kathleen Donovan, B.A.	Emmanuel College	5	Sept. 1966
J. Nellie Johnston, M.Ed.	Salem S. Teachers Col.	5	Sept. 1966
Carol Doherty, B.S.	Boston State College	5	Sept. 1949
Harry Mavragis, M.Ed.	Salem S. Teachers Col.	6	Sept. 1967
Jane Palmer, A.B.	Boston University	6	Sept. 1967
Ruth M. Chasse, M.Ed.	Lesley College	6	Sept. 1967
Edward Bruzzo, B.S.	Tufts University	Ungr.	Sept. 1958
Philip Flowers, M.Ed.	Merrimac	Art	Sept. 1953
		Sch. Adjust.	
Rose King, M.Ed.	Boston University	Couns.	Sept. 1966
Henrietta Giannino, M.A.	New York University	Read.	Sept. 1956
		Phy.	
Dorothy Jackson, B.A.	Boston University	Ed.	Sept. 1960
Sheila Segal, B.A.	University of Mass.	Music	Sept. 1965
Carolyn White, B.S.	Castleton S. Teachers College of Vermont	Speech	Sept. 1966
		Tester-	
		Coach	Sept. 1964

# MIDDLETON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

## Staff Members 1967-1968

			Date of Appointment
Name			
Wm. C. Wiswall, M.D.	Bowdoin Col. Boston Univ.	Physician	Sept. 1960
Leo P. Beninato, D.D.S.	Georgetown Univ.	Dentist	Sept. 1959
Barbara Bowes, R.N.	Beverly Hospital	Nurse	Jan. 1967
Ruth Sgroi	Bryant & Stratton	Secretary	June 1966
Marjorie L. Comack	Fisher Business	Clerk	Dec. 1959
Barbara J. Ryer	Burdett	Clerk	Jan. 1965
Mary E. King, B.S.	Univ. of N.H.	Cafeteria Mgr.	Aug. 1958
Mary Silva		Cafeteria Wkr.	Sept. 1955
Lorayne Hocter		Cafeteria Wkr.	Sept. 1957
Helen Doucette		Cafeteria Wkr.	Sept. 1959
Mary Emro		Cafeteria Wkr.	Dec. 1963
Louise Denault		Cafeteria Wkr.	Apr. 1966
Dorothy Aliano		Cafeteria Wkr.	Sept. 1967
Alice Reynolds		Cafeteria Wkr.	Jan. 1965
Louise Dane		Cafeteria Wkr.	Jan. 1965
Marie Winqvist		Lunchtime Sup.	Jan. 1963
Victoria Young		Lunchtime Sup.	Jan. 1963
Judith Evans		Lunchtime Sup.	Jan. 1965
Rose Mugford		Lunchtime Sup.	Feb. 1966
Georgia Acheson		Lunchtime Sup.	Feb. 1966
Shirley Gould		Lunchtime Sup.	Oct. 1967
Evelyn Lennox		Library Aide	Oct. 1967
Rita Kelley		Library Aide	Mar. 1966
Perley D. Lovelace		Head Custodian	June 1957
T. Myron Reynolds		Custodian	May 1960
Ralph Russell		Night Custodian	Jan. 1965
Barbara Bowes		Attendance Off'r.	Sept. 1967

## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

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The Middleton School Committee submits its annual report to the citizens and taxpayers of the Town of Middleton.

The Middleton School Committee this year continued its philosophy of obtaining for the Middleton School children the best possible education in keeping with the Town's ability to pay. Consummation of last year's investigations in conjunction with further ones led to changes in the structure of the system. Closer relations with the School Committees and facilities of the schools involved in the Masconomet region were realized through combined meetings. In regard to the relationship with the Middleton Teachers' Association, the first step was taken toward bargaining by the recognition of the Association by the Committee as the bargaining agent, followed by negotiation for a salary agreement.

Reelected to the Committee as a result of the March elections were Mrs. Annie Dow and Mr. Francis X. Masse. In August of 1967 the Committee regretfully accepted the resignation of its chairman, Dr. Edward Jones, who resigned due to the pressure of his professional duties. Mrs. Georgia Lewis was elected to assume the chairmanship. Mr. Ralph LeDuc of Meadow Drive was unanimously appointed by the Selectmen and the School Committee to fill the vacancy created by the resignation. In the re-organizing of the Committee, Mrs. Annie Dow continued as Secretary; Mr. LeDuc was appointed press liaison to replace Mrs. Lewis; Mr. Masse, legislative representative; and Mr. Harding, representative to the Unified Transportation Committee.

After exhaustive interviews and investigating of the candidates for Middleton's Superintendency, the search was finalized by the unanimous election of Mr. Francis N. FitzGerald, who assumed his duties in February. Mr. FitzGerald with his experience, education, talents, and personality, was considered the most qualified for this position.

During the interim period, Mr. Eugene Winter, the Vice-Principal, was elected to act as Interim Superintendent.

After interviewing various candidates, the Committee was satisfied that it already had a person in its system who best qualified to be Middleton's first Supervising Principal. Therefore, Mr. Eugene C. Winter, Jr., was elected to this position.

Consensus of opinion was that the best time to inaugurate the functioning of this new position would be the beginning of the school year in August, 1967.

Middleton, as with other cities and towns, became involved with teacher bargaining proceedings. For many years, the Middleton Teachers' Association Salary Committee presented its recommendation to the School Committee. It was only natural that the request by the teachers of recognizing the Middleton Teachers' Association as the official bargaining agent was granted by the School Committee. For this year the Salary Committee acted as the Representative of the Association during salary agreement negotiations.

This fall the School Committee spent long hours in joint sessions with the Association's Salary Committee and their representative from the State Association to arrive at an agreeable salary schedule.

The local Committee deemed it advisable to obtain the services of a negotiating consultant, Mr. Austen Broadhurst, to assist in Teacher Contract negotiations which will be entered into soon and be completed hopefully prior to September 1, 1968.

During the year, the Middleton School Committee held several meetings with Masconomet Personnel of the Guidance and Administrative Departments to discuss areas of mutual concern. These proved very beneficial. It is anticipated that more meetings will be held in the future.

For discussions of mutual interest to the elementary systems of Boxford, Topsfield and Middleton, two representatives from the Middleton Committee, along with the Superintendent, were invited to join a Committee on Future Development toward the end of the year. Mrs. Georgia Lewis and Mr. Ralph LeDuc were appointed representatives from Middleton. This committee will continue functioning next year. Since the State is making it mandatory to plan for regionalization of systems with less than 2,000 enrollment, this is expected to be of main concern to this committee.

In an effort to become better acquainted with children's learning problems, the Committee invited Dr. Charles Drake of PERC to come to Middleton to explain dyslexia to the committees of Boxford, Topsfield, Masconomet and Middleton, and interested faculty members. Children with this problem have average or above IQ's but are handicapped in learning by a perceptual problem which is more severe in some than others. This condition has recently been examined in a different light and until the State guidelines are

implemented, the Committee discussed ways of handling this problem. Some children have greatly benefited through private tutoring, outside the classroom, by specially trained personnel.

Realizing that in order to learn, children need comfortable chairs and suitable desks, the Committee replaced a motley array of 100 desks and chair sets with sturdy modern ones, while 75 others were rejuvenated with new laminated desk tops. Also replaced with folding tables and attached individual seats were the tables and benches in the cafeteria.

After many weeks of negotiations, the School Zone Safety flashing lights were installed at the Fuller Meadow School. Much to the disappointment of the Committee, the State placed the lights at the minimum requirement which the Committee felt was inadequate. Efforts to have them relocated have failed. Nevertheless, the lights are contributing to slowing down traffic and, combined with the police patrol, have been effective to a certain degree.

The Middleton School Committee gave sanction to a Headstart Kindergarten for Middleton. Although not under its jurisdiction, the program uses school facilities, thereby requiring Committee approval.

Once again the Committee has found it necessary to subsidize the hot lunch program rather than raise the lunch price. Due to a reduction in government supplied commodities and the rise in food and operating costs, the lunch program was not self-supporting this year. Raising the cost of lunches will be put off as long as possible. Since the Committee feels that the hot lunches are beneficial to the child, it does not wish to deprive him of the lunch because of his inability to pay a higher price.

Due to antiquated equipment and the introduction of the Medicaid program, the duties of the Dentist were found to have diminished greatly. Further investigation revealed that the work could be done by a hygienist under the supervision of a dentist and would be less expensive to the Town. Therefore, the Committee voted to recommend to the Board of Health that a State sponsored dental screening program be used.

It is the Committee's sincere wish that the citizens and taxpayers of Middleton join the Committee at its meetings regularly held at the Howe-Manning School on the second and fourth Thursdays of the month. By working together, a better understanding can be gained of the problems confronting the Middleton schools and your Committee.

The Committee extends its sincere gratitude to Mr. FitzGerald, Mr. Winter, Miss Chasse, the faculty, specialists, secretarial staff, cafeteria workers, custodial staff, and lunchtime supervisors for their loyal support during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

MIDDLETON SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Georgia D. Lewis, Chairman

Annie J. Dow, Secretary

David V. Harding

Francis X. Masse

Ralph LeDuc



## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

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To: The Middleton School Committee and the Citizens of Middleton:

The past year has been an eventful one for the Middleton Public Schools. It has provided a foundation for continued progress and effective teaching. Academically, we are progressing, and the community has every right to be proud of the program that is being evolved. It is anticipated that materials and programs will be increasingly available to explain the many phases of our programming to the citizens of Middleton in the future.

Again this year to recruit capable teachers, we will be visiting the major colleges in the area, and the Superintendent and the Supervising Principal will be personally visiting as many teachers who can be observed in their present position as possible. This approach allows Middleton to attract the most capable candidates. Experienced candidates are sought, but our salary schedule is not significant among the local school systems to make it attractive for teachers to leave their present positions. Our buildings and curriculum materials help immeasurably to attract good teachers. I must not overlook our current staff for their friendliness and enthusiasm that is so important in the final decision of prospective candidates.

The citizens of Middleton should be aware of the state educational report, commonly referred to as the "Willis Report," that was authorized by the General Court. It contains implications for the Town of Middleton. Also, there have been suggestions of additional state taxes for education to relieve local real estate of the full burden. To assure the full benefit of any new taxes, I urge citizens to be alert to any legislation in this regard and suggest that any additional funds raised in the name of education be "Earmarked" for grades K through 12. "Earmarking" taxes is in disfavor by many in the legislative field. However, experience has demonstrated that this is the most positive way of having funds raised in the name of education channeled for their intended purpose.

We have experienced progress this year in the accelerated improvement of the instructional program. Many new changes in the curriculum have perpetuated more educational benefits than ever before for each child. The following topic constitutes the major



area of study and revision in the total program during the past year.

### READING

That wide differences occur among children is a fact acknowledged in life outside the classroom. The school has recognized this very important aspect of each child and realizes that wide variations in rates of learning exist among children. This factor is constantly considered in the classroom, and differentiation of instruction, based upon individual needs follows. Reading difficulties can be reduced to a minimum with the introduction of diversified teaching techniques and materials. A revised basal reader, which was adopted for the first year students last year, was extended through the second year during the present school year. Continuity in the basic skills of reading through the use of a basal text in the elementary grades has now become a reality for each child. The child will also enjoy various supplementary reading materials concurrently with the basic program.

Standard tests are used to measure achievement after each reading level. They also provide diagnostic information for subsequent instruction.

SRA reading laboratories are also utilized to provide these extra experiences. These "labs" are designed to provide individualized reading materials to fulfill the needs of each child. They consist of graded stories that are of high interest level, the stories becoming increasingly difficult as the child progresses from one reading level to the next.

The teaching of phonics, as a part of the basic skills, concerns the acquisition by the child of instruction in the use of auditory characteristics of words in improving word perception. New approaches to teaching phonics are being explored by members of our staff. Our staff has continually demonstrated interest and capability in this area by their attendance at workshops designed to show new techniques.

The reading program in the elementary grades has been continually evaluated to include new media. We will continue to make changes when such will provide additional benefits to the student.

### PROGRAMMED TAPES

As the year 1967 drew to a close, the Administration began an evaluation of the availability of material in the area of

programmed tapes. Programmed tapes are becoming increasingly important in many areas of the curriculum. Magnetic tapes to reinforce learning is presently being used in many elementary school systems. It is our hope that we will be able to obtain some sample materials in this area and evaluate their use and benefit for our Middleton children.

Programmed tapes and worksheets will be prepared by our staff. We hope to develop a program wherein children may listen to taped drill or enrichment lessons through the use of headphone sets attached to tape recorders. In conjunction with this endeavor, we now have ready for classroom use taped stories for enrichment and listening value.

### NEW MATHEMATICS

The trend toward a more meaningful, dynamic, exciting, structural program in mathematics is now well established and is gaining momentum. The "modern" aspect of the new mathematics is that of discovery. It represents a way of thinking and reasoning, a systematized body of knowledge. The new math, is recognized by the Middleton staff as one of the avenues through which arithmetic is presented. We recognize the need for well-founded basic concepts in a traditional math program. It is through a blending of those things which are considered beneficial in both the traditional and modern programs that we achieve our goals. As children reach the upper elementary grades, we anticipate that they will have explored the terminology and concepts of the new mathematics.

### LIBRARY

Elementary school libraries have been developed to provide a variety of books and materials for enrichment and research. Book collections have been carefully selected by the staff to fulfill the curriculum requirements and to build toward the American Library Association.

Additions to the library are provided for by the Middleton School budget and from funds obtained through the federal government's Title II Project. One has but to visit the children when they are selecting their library books to observe their enthusiasm in reading. The Library Aides provide assistance to the children in the use of this facility.

Many parents have helped our library program with their generous assistance on a volunteer basis.

The library is another important adjunct of our reading program.

### REPORTING PUPIL PROGRESS

A close relationship must exist between the home and the school if the child is to obtain the greatest benefit from his school experience. Progress has been made in our school program to provide parents with as many opportunities as they desire to discuss their child's progress with the school personnel. It is hoped that all parents will avail themselves of the opportunities to contact teachers individually to discuss their child's progress. In November of 1967 parents were invited to attend an "Open House" at our school. We again invite parents to discuss their child's progress by simply calling the school for an appointment with the teacher. Any problem is reason enough to call the school for an appointment.

In May the School Committee, acting on behalf of the local School Committees, was awarded an operational grant in the amount of \$55,900 from the U.S. Office of Education for the project entitled "Regional Research & Development Center — Reporting Student Achievement in Terms of Modular Progress." The Superintendents of Boxford, Masconomet, Middleton, and Topsfield formally organized as a Board of Directors to provide supervision and responsibility for this project. The Board engaged Mr. Edward J. Coleman, Jr., and Mr. James W. Russell as Director and Assistant Director, respectively.

Teachers representing the local schools and the Masconomet Regional High School participated in a Summer Institute during the months of July and August at which they designed models for the modular curriculum and reporting system. They were guided in their efforts by Dr. Vincent L. Hawes of Salem State College, Salem, Massachusetts, and Dr. John Valois, of Merrimack College, Andover, Massachusetts, who were engaged as consultants to the Title III Project.

Following the Summer Institute, monthly meetings were held in the elementary and high schools to acquaint all the staff members with the goals of the project. A Plan to improve curriculum and the means of reporting student achievement and progress has been developed and will be tested in a pilot program which will begin in September, 1968, if the District's re-application for continuance of the project is approved for refunding.

In preparation for the Summer Institute, 1968, administrators and teachers will attend an In-Service Workshop from January 24 through May 15.

Application for the continuation of this program beyond the

current year will be submitted on April 1, to the Department of Education for approval.

### TESTING

A change in our testing program was completed this past year, following the evaluation of several tests now available. We have continued the use of the Spring SRA Achievement Test and instituted a Fall diagnostic testing program. The SRA Achievement Tests are comprehensive and are designed for the purpose of facilitating educational measurements; the Diagnostic Tests, as indicated in the title, help us to determine the specific areas which may cause difficulty in the child's learning progress.

### OPERATION HEADSTART

As October, 1967, began, the efforts of many of the citizens of Middleton were realized when the Headstart program at the Fuller Meadow School became operational. Miss Carol Wade was employed by Action, Inc., as the teacher, and Mrs. Vera Wood, as the teacher-aide. Those of us who were involved in the inauguration of this new program anticipated some difficulty. It required heroic efforts on the part of many people to see that the program finally came into being. Noteworthy among those who spared no efforts to see that Middleton received its due share of the Action program were Mrs. Weeks, Mrs. Hocter, Mr. Masse, and Mr. Dowling.

### PARENT-TEACHER ASSOCIATION

The Middleton Parent-Teacher Association continues to hold an extremely desirable place in our consideration of efforts made in behalf of our schools. The school year 1966-1967 was climaxed with a cookout in the rear of the Howe-Manning School. Vigorous planning and work during the current school year has seen PTA volunteers during Open House serving coffee to the many visitors in our schools, the planning of the Christmas program, the planning of the Carl DeSuze lecture, and in short, a continuous enthusiastic program. The Middleton Parent-Teacher Association presented the Middleton Public Schools with a Polaroid Camera outfit in the Fall of 1967 for which the staff and administration is extremely grateful.

### KINDERGARTEN PROGRAM

In his 1965 report to the School Committee and the citizens of Middleton, Dr. Port, Superintendent of Schools, indicated that the State Board of Education would be formulating guidelines for the implementation of kindergarten programs in all communities throughout the Commonwealth. Two years have elapsed since his report and the direction is quite clear at this time. The phasing-in

of a kindergarten program will receive attention and study by the School Committee during the coming year, since we must submit a plan to the State Board of Education by December, 1968, outlining a timetable for inauguration of such a program in our community. Consideration of this step will bring into focus growth of the community, classroom space allocations, total regionalization of the Tri-Town District, as well as other community needs.

### CONCLUSION

It is almost impossible, and probably unnecessary, to list in detail a variety of minor changes in the administrative functioning of our school system. It would be remiss, however, not to indicate some of the physical changes that have occurred during the past calendar year. Among these have been the rejuvenation of the Principal's and Superintendent's offices at the Howe-Manning School and the creation of an office work area in conjunction with these offices. Replacement of the sixth grade furniture, which had seen better days fifteen or twenty years ago, renovation of third and fifth grade desks with new formica laminated tops, the creation of a teacher work room, and lounge area adjacent to our library, making the beginnings of an Instructional Materials Center, replacement of the drapes in the auditorium, replacement of the tables and benches in the cafeteria, as well as other minor housekeeping improvements too numerous to mention, provide a better learning environment and more attractive facilities for community functions.

As 1967 draws to a close, we are made aware that the State Department of Education will be increasingly interested in the merger of school systems such as ours with other school districts, to provide for a total school district in excess of 2,000 students. Guidelines for the reorganization of school districts have been tentatively approved by the State Board of Education and during the next fiscal year we will be examining this problem to assure the citizens of Middleton and ourselves that the program for which Middleton has shown its desire may be considered in the total merger.

The towns of Middleton, Boxford, and Topsfield have cooperatively developed specifications for unified bus transportation for elementary and secondary students. Mr. Harding of the Middleton School Committee is the local member of the "Unified Transportation Sub Committee." The specifications have gone out to prospective bidders. After the receipt of bids early in 1968, evaluation and recommendations will be made by the sub-committee to the four school committees involved.



As my first year in Middleton closes, I am extremely enthusiastic about our educational program and the staff of our school system. It is well to point out to the citizens of Middleton that they have been fortunate indeed to secure the services of the present School Committee and past School Committees who have been so unselfishly dedicated to the children of Middleton. It is impossible to be able to show appreciation to the many members of our staff and citizens, as well, who have helped to make the year 1967 a better one for the children. My sincere appreciation is extended to those citizens who have contributed of their time and talent to enrich the educational experiences of the boys and girls. So many do so much, I am confident the children appreciate these efforts in their behalf.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANCIS N. FITZGERALD

Superintendent of Schools

## REPORT OF THE SUPERVISING PRINCIPAL

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To: The Superintendent of Schools, Middleton

The dimensions of administrative tasks have changed greatly over the years in the Middleton Public Schools. Since assuming the duties of Supervising Principal in August of 1967, I have spent much more time at the tasks of analyzing the teaching-learning conditions within the schools, especially at Howe-Manning. Daily confrontation with curriculum problems, learning difficulties, teaching problems, and the search for suitable materials has taken a large portion of time. While a complete and formal analysis of the supervisory aspects of my position will not be included in this report, a few of the important developments will be pointed out.

Standardized diagnostic testing proved to be a valuable asset for analyzing pupil difficulties in arithmetic and reading. These tests were given to certain children in lieu of the fall achievement testing program. The results were immediately available to the teachers and provided a richer source of data than could be derived from achievement scores alone. Teachers were thus able to individualize their instruction and select suitable learning materials geared to specific difficulties much sooner when coupled with recent achievement test scores.

During the last three years we have been trying to establish and develop a learning resource center, including a library, in each of the two elementary schools. This long-range goal is still in sight and in some ways, we are ahead of schedule in the kind of service we are able to provide for children and for the staff.

At Howe-Manning School the library collections were moved across the hall to gain the advantage of extra space urgently required for a research and materials processing center. The basic book collection was greatly expanded and is being used extensively by children at all grade levels. These materials have made a profound impact in daily activities within the school, and many of the children are becoming sophisticated researchers.

The research area now includes a collection of film strips and recordings. A recording project has produced a small file of taped materials. This project will supplement purchased tapes aimed at particular instructional needs. A pamphlet and map file was organized for use of pupils and teachers.

The Flint Public Library continues to provide multiple services



to the school staff, as well as to the children. Books were loaned to the Fuller Meadow School Library because the basic collection there is too small to provide the necessary level of service. A weekly story hour was provided to interest local pre-school children in books and proved to be popular and successful, thanks to Mrs. English of the Flint Library Staff.

This year we purchased an initial collection of books for the Fuller Meadow Library. Limited reference material has also been provided. In order that books may be available from both school libraries interchangeably, we have duplicated the card catalog to provide a complete catalog for each school.

The Middleton Public Schools and the Middleton Historical Society have begun the groundwork for a project which will result in the teaching of Middleton history. At the present time an outline is being developed and materials collected for the eventual use of children and teachers. It is expected that the teaching unit will be supported by locally developed materials in the form of color slides, tapes, photographs, copies of documents, and display materials.

Grades five and six have participated in the Young Audiences Concerts at Masconomet Regional again this year. This activity has given the children an unusual opportunity to hear the best of our musical heritage performed by professional ensembles.

The Middleton Teachers' Association has been quite active this year under the leadership of Philip Flowers. The Association undertook a Christmas welfare project to benefit many local children. A committee remained active to take care of emergency welfare needs when they might arise. The Professional Rights and Responsibilities Committee will meet with the School Committee to negotiate a teacher contract for the coming year.

The teaching staff has performed outstandingly and has cooperated fully with the administration in a mutual effort to improve our teacher-learning environment and our educational practices. Auxiliary personnel have also contributed greatly and many thanks are due them. It has been amply demonstrated that everyone connected with the schools in any way has contributed much to whatever success we have experienced.

Respectfully submitted,

EUGENE C. WINTER

Supervising Principal

## REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

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To: The Superintendent of Schools, Middleton Public Schools

The good health of our children is of paramount importance to us all. With this in mind, the following health programs were carried out at the Howe-Manning and Fuller Meadow Schools during the 1966-67 school year.

The Massachusetts Vision Test was administered to 558 children, with 33 failures. After re-testing, the parents of these children were notified in writing. I am pleased to say that 28 of these children were seen by specialists, and 12 received glasses for the first time. Fourteen had been previously under treatment.

Every child in the school system also had his hearing checked with an audiometer. Regulations regarding failures are set by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health. Tests were given to 557 children, resulting in 28 failures. These children were referred to their own physicians. Most have been seen and are under treatment.

The Tine Test for Tuberculosis was offered to all children entering the first year of school. All first year pupils were tested, since there were no refusals. The Essex County Health Association believes this to be the test of choice for school children. All children tested negative. It should be noted that a positive Tine Test does not denote the presence of active tuberculosis, only the need for further testing.

Physical examinations, required by law for all first and fourth grade pupils, were given either by personal physicians or by the School Physician, Dr. William Wiswall. A total of 155 children received physicals. Reports of defects were sent home in writing and the children were referred to their own physicians for correction.

A measles vaccine clinic was conducted at the suggestion of the Mass. Department of Public Health. Request forms were sent home to 538 children. Children who previously had the measles, or were known to have an allergy to eggs, were not given the vaccine. Measles vaccine was given to 87 children with the aid and cooperation of our Public Health Nurse, Mrs. Marie Deschamps.

Flu vaccine was administered to all school personnel who desired it. There were over 1500 visits made to the Health Room

by the school children during the past year. Complaints and injuries were varied — poison ivy, bumped heads, scraped knees, stomach aches, and four fractures.

Several immunization clinics were held with 117 children receiving diphtheria-tetanus boosters, and 72 children receiving Sabin Oral Polio Vaccine.

Reports giving results of all our programs were sent to the Massachusetts Department of Public Health.

At the close of my first year as school nurse for the Town of Middleton, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who have made it such a pleasure. The parents who have been so cooperative, the children who have been such a joy, and particularly the school personnel who helped in so many ways.

Respectfully submitted,

BARBARA L. BOWES, R.N.

School Nurse

## REPORT OF THE SCHOOL DENTIST

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To: The Superintendent of Schools, Middleton Public Schools

During the school year 1966 to 1967, a total of 542 students were examined. Informative reports were sent to all parents, relating the condition of their children's teeth.

It was noted that 326 children were found to be in need of dental treatment.

A total of 206 slips were received from parents acknowledging receipt of the dental report on their children.

Seventy-seven (77) reports were received from various dentists advising that these children were under treatment as prescribed by the school reports.

The First and Third grades received tooth brushes and were given a demonstration on the proper method of brushing teeth.

Due to the advent of various Federal legislation, most indigent children are being taken care of by the Government's new Medicaid Program.

Respectfully submitted,

LEO P. BENINATO, D.D.S.

School Dentist

## SELECTMEN'S REPORT

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To the Citizens of Middleton:

The Board of Selectmen respectfully submit their Annual report for the year ending December 31, 1967. Regular meetings of this Board have been held every Tuesday at 8 P.M., except during June, July and August, when a summer schedule of every other Tuesday was in effect. All meetings were held at the Selectmen's Office, Memorial Hall, So. Main Street. This Board also functions as the Board of Health, Licensing Authority and Police Commissioners.

Three Town Meetings were held during 1967. The Regular Town Meeting on March 14, 1967 and two special Town Meetings on March 7, 1967 and October 10, 1967.

In addition to the usual reappointments which are made each year the following new appointments were made: Mr. John Dowling as Town Representative for Action, Inc.; Mr. John Comack as a regular member of the Conservation Committee until 1968 and Mr. Francis E. Gorham to the same committee until 1969 as authorized by the Regular Town Meeting; Mr. Ebbe Wennerberg to the Board of Appeals until 1972; Mr. Wayne Van Alstyne to the Industrial Development Commission until 1968 to replace Mr. R. G. Gowen who resigned; Mr. Barrie Irish to a full term on the Industrial Development Commission; Mr. Gerald Woodland as an alternate to the Board of Appeals; Mr. Arthur Donovan as Health Agent replacing Leyland Phillips who resigned; Carl Ohlson to the Recreation Committee; Ralph LeDuc to the School Committee until the Town Election to replace Doctor Edward H. Jones who resigned; C. Henry Ohlson as Inspector of Animals and Inspector of Slaughtering to replace Mr. Lloyd Getchell who had resigned; David DiTomaso and Edward J. Richardson as Sergeants on the Police Department and Henry J. Bouchard as a Regular Special Officer in the Police Department.

During the year the Board held 12 public hearings on petitions of the citizens or the utilities.

Eleven Jurors were drawn from the Jury List of the Town to serve during 1967 and 1968 sittings at the Salem, Lawrence and Newburyport Courts.

During the year the Town was able to welcome the R. & K. Precision Machine Co. to their new home. In late Spring, ground breaking for the new clubhouse for the Topsfield Inn and Country

Club was held in Middleton, and since that time the construction of the golf course has progressed very well. Great progress has also been made by M.I.T. for their Accelerator at the old Sanatorium site, and in November, excavation was started on this project.

In August, after several meetings with the owner and the operators of the Kenny Road gravel pit with the urging of many citizens of the Town the Board issued a cease and desist order to stop operations and the Town Counsel obtained a temporary restraining order which is still in effect. The Citizens of the Town must realize that this issue is not yet closed, and considerable expense may be borne by the Town at a later date because of Court procedures. Two other cease and desist orders were issued for parcels around the Town Dump.

Also in August, the Annual Town Picnic sponsored by the H. K. Mansfield Fund was again held at Lincoln Park in North Dartmouth, Mass. and an enjoyable time was had by over 800 children.

In May, the Board accepted the resignation of Mrs. Anita Quinn who had served as Secretary to the Board for several years. Mrs. Margaret L'Horty was employed as our new Secretary.

The Board wishes to express its deep appreciation for the assistance, cooperation and devotion to public service given so generously by the Department Heads, elected and appointed Boards and the Citizens of the Town.

The Board wishes to extend an invitation to all Citizens to join us at any of our regular Tuesday night meetings and discuss any problems or suggestions that they feel might be of benefit to our Town.

Respectfully submitted,

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Leslie E. Merrifield, Chairman

Thomas F. Dolan, Clerk

Robert G. Gowen



## REPORT OF THE TREE DEPARTMENT

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the  
Citizens of the Town of Middleton.

The Tree Department has had an extremely busy year.

Two large snow storms created a tremendous amount of clean-up work afterwards. A near hurricane in May toppled a huge oak on DeBush Avenue, taking down wires and blocking the street; also a tree on Mount Vernon Street. Both trees had to be removed and cleared during the night time under very wet conditions.

In cooperation with the State, they furnished us with trucks and men to the value of \$200.00 to remove heavy butts. They also furnished us two men for two days in scouting Dutch Elm disease. Twenty-two samples were taken and returned, indicating the trees had Dutch Elm Disease.

Four trees were removed from Forest Street and planted in front of the library to replace three trees that were diseased and had to be removed.

New trees were planted on Maple Street, Webb Street, Forest Street, and East Street.

In the coming year we expect to move trees that are too thick on the streets, to be planted at the Fuller Meadow School, where they will be of greater advantage.

In cooperation with the Highway Department, brush killer was sprayed at many intersections and dangerous corners, and we hope that this work can be continued in the coming years.

We thank the various departments for their cooperation during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

ERNEST R. GOULD

Tree Warden



## VETERANS' SERVICES

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Board of Selectmen,

Middleton, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit this report of the Department of Veterans' Services for the year of 1967.

General Benefits	Expended
Food	
Fuel	
Rent	
Doctors	
Dentist	
Hospital	
Medication	
Miscellaneous	\$ 5,665.40
	Recovered      -142.88
	\$ 5,522.52
Agent's Salary	\$ 750.00

Department Expense

Postage

Dues

Conferences

Agents Meetings

Mileage

Miscellaneous

\$ 277.00

Total Expended 1967

General Benefits \$5,522.52

Refund from State \$2,761.26

ERNEST F. LeBEAU

## WATER AND SEWER COMMISSIONERS REPORT

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the

Citizens of the Town of Middleton

Gentlemen:

Herewith is submitted our Annual Report as your Water Board.

During the year regular meetings were held by the Board at Memorial Hall. Many special meetings were also held, some with other departments or boards of the town and some with the public, concerning the proposed town-wide water system. A special brochure was prepared and distributed to the townspeople in this regard.

In addition to the routine business of maintenance and repair and the issuance of permits for new services, the Board in conjunction with the town of Danvers and its Water Department, combined in a joint project to extend the 24" water main from Park Street in Middleton down So. Main Street to the Middleton-Danvers line. This project was just about half done before it was closed down due to inclement weather. It is expected that it will be picked up and finished by the end of April, 1968, weather conditions permitting. An important part of this project in Middleton was to supply water to the R. & K. Precision Company which had been operating with an above-ground temporary line, and this was accomplished. On December 24, 1967, after final tests were completed and a favorable report received from the Health Department, water was turned on to the R. & K. Company.

The Board of Water Commissioners with a sincere belief in their cause and after much planning, studying and researching in connection with the proposed town-wide water system, would be less than honest if they did not relay to the people their deep disappointment in the rejection of this proposal by the people of Middleton. The Commissioners feel that the real impact of this rejection will not be felt immediately but certainly will be in the future.

The Board has appreciated all the help and assistance given by Mr. Harold Kilgore of Whitman & Howard, Engineers; Mr. Walter Colby, Town Counsel; and any others who assisted in bringing this project together.

We wish to take this opportunity to thank the members of the Water Survey Committee, the Board of Selectmen, and all of the town departments for their help and cooperation during the past year. We also wish to thank the Danvers Water Board and Mr. Vernon C. Russell, Supt. of the Danvers Water Department, for their cooperation.

#### BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

George W. Nash, Chairman

William J. Hocter, Clerk

Benjamin K. Richardson

# *Annual Report*

of the

## *Town Accountant*

### *1967*

# RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

Year Ending Dec. 31, 1967

## RECEIPTS

### GENERAL REVENUE

#### TAXES

##### CURRENT YEAR:

Property—Real Estate	\$ 713,943.50	
		\$ 713,943.50

##### PREVIOUS YEARS:

Property—Real Estate	48,122.25	
Farm Excise	9.75	
Tax Title	4,864.49	
		52,996.49

##### PRIVILEGES:

Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	85,140.33	85,140.33
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##### LICENSES:

Alcoholic Beverages	4,900.00	
Others	1,033.50	
		5,933.50

#### GRANTS AND GIFTS

##### FEDERAL GOVERNMENT:

Old Age Assistance	10,345.97	
Medical Assistance	45,646.96	
Aid to Dependent Children	10,124.98	
Disability Assistance	6,095.00	
Other School Purposes	16,649.57	
		88,862.48

## STATE GOVERNMENT:

General Relief	91.41
Old Age Assistance	3,642.49
Medical Assistance	25,419.44
Aid to Dependent Children	5,124.03
Disability Assistance	848.85
Veterans Services	2,306.03
Income Valuation Basis	70,410.40
Corporation Basis	3,852.80
Meal Tax	1,959.30
Lieu of Taxes	3,316.17
Education Basis	21,157.89
Sales Tax	139,421.86
Vocational Education	145.00
School Lunch	6,090.36
Library	929.50
Highway	19,902.06
Snow and Sanding	1,032.77
Other School	17,606.25

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323,256.61

## COUNTY GOVERNMENT:

Dog Licenses	682.32
Highway Aid	1,118.73

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1,801.05

## DEPARTMENTALS

Unexpended Balances:	85,207.07
Memorial Hall Rentals	1,125.00
Town Hall Rentals	351.00
Advertising	305.04

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86,988.11

## PUBLIC SAFETY:

Police Permits	60.00
Police Fines	362.85
Accident Reports	173.00
Building Insp.	1,129.00
Board of Health	352.00
Plumbing and Gas Insp.	566.50
Wire Insp.	101.00
Dog Officer	60.00
Miscellaneous	412.27

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 3,216.62

## HIGHWAYS:

Truck-Machine Rentals	6,081.23
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 6,081.23

## CHARITIES

## RECOVERIES:

Disability Assistance	549.10
Old Age Assistance	256.90
Aid to Dependent Children	3,500.31
Medical Assistance	2,885.13

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 7,191.44

## VETERANS' SERVICES

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 142.48

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 142.48

## SCHOOLS

Hall Rental	135.00
School Lunch	20,965.20
Tuition (Topsfield)	935.00

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 22,035.20

## MISCELLANEOUS — TOWN

Refunds	580.80
Insurance Premiums	507.00
Jewish Community Center (in lieu of taxes)	2,500.00
Planning Board Special	1,000.00
Tax Title Fees	102.00

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 4,689.80



## PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES

## ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT:

Sale of Light and Power	291,786.57	
Miscellaneous	6,884.80	
Meter Deposit Fund	2,150.00	300,821.37

## WATER DEPARTMENT:

Water Income	6,022.42	
Water Lien	811.60	

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 6,834.02

## CEMETERY:

Opening Graves	2,143.00	
Use of Equipment	450.00	
Sale of Lots and Graves	170.00	
Care of Endowed Lots	1,090.00	
Recording Deeds	8.00	
Perpetual Care Interest	2,305.92	

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 6,166.92

## INTEREST

Mansfield Fund	2,645.00	
Meter Deposits	131.65	
Deferred Taxes	3,120.01	

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 5,896.66

## MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS

Anticipated Revenue Loan	300,000.00	
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 300,000.00

## AGENCY, TRUST AND INVESTMENT

Federal Withholding	51,946.19	
State Withholding	6,362.91	
County Retirement	10,006.66	
Blue Cross - Blue Shield	7,912.37	
Group Life Insurance	763.46	
Dog License Due County	1,217.00	
Mansfield Fund	340.00	

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 78,548.59

## TRANSFERS

Total Receipts	2,100,546.40	
Cash Balance January 1, 1967	247,883.85	

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 \$2,348,430.25

## EXPENDITURES

### GENERAL GOVERNMENT

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#### MODERATOR

Salary	50.00	50.00
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#### FINANCE COMMITTEE

Expenses	82.00	82.00
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#### SELECTMEN

Salaries		1,500.00	
Clerk		600.00	
Printing, Stationery, Postage	417.69		
Other	959.19	1,376.88	
			3,476.88

#### ACCOUNTANT

Salary	2,200.00	
Expenses	366.68	
		2,166.68

#### TREASURER

Salary	2,200.00	
Expenses		
Clerk	448.88	
Printing	192.39	
Postage and Misc.	882.61	1,075.00
		3,723.88
Tax Titles	1,767.00	1,767.00

## TAX COLLECTOR

Salary		2,600.00	
Clerk		1,424.00	
Expenses			
Postage and Printing	761.79		
Office Supplies and Maintenance	106.84		
Miscellaneous	355.71	1,224.34	
			5,248.34

## ASSESSORS

Salaries		3,700.00	
Clerk		1,150.00	
Expenses		1,449.48	
			6,299.48

## COUNSEL

Salary		2,500.00	
Expenses		542.50	
			3,042.50

## TOWN CLERK

Salary		800.00	
Expenses		316.51	
			1,116.51

## ELECTIONS AND REGISTRATIONS

Salaries		200.00	
Expenses			
Elections and Meetings	318.81		
Supplies	194.95		
Miscellaneous	315.00	828.76	
			1,028.76

## PLANNING BOARD

Expenses			
Clerk	280.00		
Printing and Supplies	307.85		
Miscellaneous	420.45	1,008.30	
			1,008.30

## TOWN HALL

Salary		550.00	
Expenses			
Supplies	17.41		
Light, Gas, Fuel and Water	950.24		
Repairs	194.80	1,162.45	
Special		143.00	
			1,855.45

## MEMORIAL HALL

Salary		700.00	
Expenses			
Supplies and Miscellaneous	181.39		
Light, Fuel, Gas and Water	2,040.03	2,221.42	
Special		275.00	
			3,196.42

## INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT

Expenses	50.00	50.00
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Total General Government Expenditures \$34,112.20

## PUBLIC SAFETY

### CONSTABLE

Salary	35.00	
		35.00

### POLICE DEPARTMENT

Salaries		7,185.00	
Wages		18,655.00	
Expenses			
Equipment and Repairs	4,066.52		
Fuel	153.62		
Miscellaneous	1,558.43		
Cruiser	905.03	5,125.17	
			32,523.60

### CIVIL DEFENSE

Expenses	93.00	93.00
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### FIRE DEPARTMENT

Salaries		8,902.38	
Labor	22,280.46		
Apparatus	373.63		
Hose	1,023.34		
Gas	730.10		
Other	2,944.09		
Roof Special	1,488.00	28,839.62	
			37,742.00

### BUILDING INSPECTOR

Salary	750.00	
Expenses	350.00	
		1,100.00

### BOARD OF APPEALS

Clerk	310.00	
Advertisements	202.04	
Office Expenses	89.80	601.84
		601.84

## WIRE INSPECTOR

Salary	400.00	
Expenses	140.00	
		540.00

## GAS INSPECTOR

Salary	100.00	100.00
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## PLUMBING INSPECTOR

Salary	200.00	200.00
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## FORESTRY DEPARTMENT

Tree Warden	1,796.08	
Moth Control	581.95	
Dutch Elm Control	1,400.00	
New Trees	400.00	
River Street Special	985.68	
		5,163.71

## DOG OFFICER

Salary	300.00	
Expenses	567.08	
		867.08

Total Public Safety Expenditures		\$ 78,966.23
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## HEALTH AND SANITATION

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### HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Salary		520.00	
Dump	2,080.00		
Vital Statistics	130.00		
Contagious Diseases	4,072.12		
Miscellaneous	181.35		
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		6,463.47	6,983.47

### DENTAL CLINIC

Salary	50.00	50.00
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### COMMUNITY HEALTH PROGRAM

Middleton Community Services, Inc.	2,500.00	
Mental Health	425.00	
		2,925.00

### INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

Salary	200.00	
Expenses	67.30	
		267.30

### INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING

Salary	50.00	50.00
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Total Health and Sanitation		<hr/>	<hr/>
			\$10,681.80



## HIGHWAYS

### HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Labor		5,445.84	
Expenses			
Truck & Equipment Repair	856.07		
Truck & Equipment Hire	587.60		
Sand, Gravel, Loam, Asphalt	4,187.82		
Other	1,970.75	7,602.24	
			13,048.08

### ROAD MACHINERY ACCOUNT

Expenses			
Gas - Oil	2,450.97		
Repair	513.12		
Equipment	1,552.50		
Supplies	1,145.90		
Other	449.80	6,112.29	
			6,112.29

### SNOW REMOVAL

Labor		8,593.69	
Expenses			
Truck & Equipment Hire	8,239.50		
Salt and Sand	6,693.14		
Other	465.18		
			23,991.51

## SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS

	Labor	Other	Total
Chapter 81	9,453.85	5,496.15	14,950.00
Chapter 90 (Maintenance)	1,534.47	465.53	2,000.00
Chapter 90 (Construction)	8,903.10	6,981.85	15,884.95
Lake St. (782-822)	.....	920.52	920.52
New Truck	.....	.....	4,170.00
Storm Drains	577.20	422.80	1,000.00
Spring Road Special	800.76	1,335.24	2,136.00
Street Lights	.....	.....	5,757.66
Christmas Lights	.....	.....	35.39
Sander	.....	.....	1,208.00
Land Damage	.....	.....	2,000.00
		Total	<u>\$50,062.52</u>
Total Highway Expenditures			<u>\$93,214.40</u>

## CHARITIES

### PUBLIC WELFARE

Salaries	900.00	
Administration	4,017.00	4,917.00

### GENERAL RELIEF

Town	587.07	587.07
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### OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Town	7,087.25	
Federal	10,933.35	18,020.60

### MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

Town	58,025.35	
Federal	44,804.02	102,829.37

### AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Town	15,457.30	
Federal	8,486.89	23,944.19

### DISABILITY ASSISTANCE

Town	4,521.27	
Federal	5,212.12	9,733.39

Total Charities Expenditures	<u>\$160,031.62</u>
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**VETERANS' SERVICES**

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Salary	750.00	
Expenses		
Services - Aid	5,824.52	
Clerk - Office	277.00	6,851.52
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Total Veterans' Expenditures		\$6,851.52

## SCHOOLS

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## Salaries

Superintendent	11,933.18
Lunch Supervisors	2,250.00
Teachers and Administration	204,479.09
Doctor	700.00
Nurse	3,000.00
Janitors	14,990.72
Attendance Officer	100.00
Census	100.00

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237,552.99

## Expenses

Superintendent	303.04
Books - Supplies	19,830.62
Building Maintenance	2,326.62
Fuel - Light - Telephone - Water	11,242.21
Transportation	23,172.00
Tuition	165.00
Furniture - Equipment	2,081.34
Miscellaneous	228.38
Public Law 89-10	4,010.02
Public Law 874	4,187.75
Teachers' Assn. Dues	477.00

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68,023.98

### SCHOOL LUNCH

Labor	14,933.24
Equipment & Supplies	14,411.76

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29,345.00

### REGIONAL SCHOOL

Assessment	396,342.83	396,342.83
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### SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE

Building & Equipment	1,629.15	1,629.15
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### VOCATIONAL EDUCATION

Tuition and Transportation	3,416.15	3,416.15
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Total School Expenditures

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\$742,226.65

**LIBRARY**  

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Salaries	6,638.40	
Expenses	6,611.97	
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Total Library Expenditures		13,250.37

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**RECREATION**  

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**PARK**

Expenses	2,577.19	
New Equipment	476.00	
East Street Pool	238.80	
Recreation Committee - Wages	878.00	
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Total Recreation Expenditures		4,169.99

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**UNCLASSIFIED**

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Insurance		
General	7,317.00	
Group	587.37	
Blue Cross - Blue Shield	5,483.39	
Motor Vehicle Liability	2,763.07	16,150.83
Memorial Day	696.24	696.24
Printing Town Report	1,642.34	1,642.34
Mansfield Fund		
Concert	200.00	
Picnic	1,540.00	
Thanksgiving and		
Christmas Charities	523.00	
Miscellaneous	15.50	2,278.50
Stabilization Fund		26,000.00
Debt Interest		18,500.85
Essex County Retirement		19,950.00
Total Unclassified Expenditures		85,218.76

## PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES

### ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT

Salaries - Commissioners	750.00	
Manager	8,480.00	
Clerk	4,680.00	13,910.00

### MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION

Energy			
New England Power	165,349.86		
Danvers Electric Co.	1,187.09		166,536.94
Wages	35,370.06		35,370.06
Expenses			
Materials	70,857.20		
Office Supplies	6,309.19		
Rent	1,025.00		
Insurance	1,561.17		
Line Clearance	2,497.73		
Depreciation	25,688.82	107,939.11	107,939.11
Total Electric Department Expenditures			323,756.11



## WATER DEPARTMENT

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Salaries		
Commissioners	450.00	
Office Expenses	188.35	
Maintenance	1,992.00	
Debt Repayment	1,860.00	
Survey	514.00	
South Main Street Special	4,700.00	9,704.35
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Total Water Department Expenditures		9,704.35

## CEMETERIES

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Salaries		
Commissioners	60.00	
Supt. of Burial	30.00	
Expenses		
Maintenance	6,590.98	
New Equipment	467.00	
Hot Top	450.16	
Opening Graves	2,212.20	
Perpetual Care	3,089.65	12,809.99
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Total Cemetery Expenditures		12,899.99

## MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS

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School Addition 1950	10,000.00	
School Addition 1956	10,000.00	
New School Loan	25,000.00	
Fire Truck Loan	4,000.00	49,000.00
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Total Municipal Indebtedness Expenditures		49,000.00

## AGENCY, TRUST AND INVESTMENT

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State Parks and Reservations	2,465.80	
County Tax		
1966	1,322.91	
1967	18,188.38	
Dog Licenses to County	1,829.25	
Withholding Tax — State	6,354.53	
Withholding Tax — Federal	52,242.35	
Retirement Deduction	10,006.66	
Meter Deposit Refunds	1,795.00	
Interest (Meter Deposits)	118.05	
Auditing Municipal Accounts	5,525.03	
Metropolitan Area Planning Council	171.40	
Mosquito Control	6,045.56	106,064.92
Total Agency, Trust, Investment Expenditures		106,064.92

## REFUNDS

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1966 Excise Tax	1,084.81	
1967 Excise Tax	3,356.80	
1967 Real Estate	2,105.63	
Total Refunds		6,547.24
Transfer Electric Depreciation Fund	12,000.00	12,000.00
Revenue Loan		300,000.00
Total Expenditures		1,730,148.91
Cash on Hand		214,357.77
		2,263,053.92

**Appropriation - Transfers - Expenditures for 1967**

Department	Appropriation and Transfer	Expended	Unexpended Balance
Moderator	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$
Finance Committee	100.00		
1966 Balance	25.00	82.00	25.00*
Selectmen's Salaries	1,500.00	1,500.00	
Clerk	600.00	600.00	
Expense	1,000.00		
Transfer	376.88	1,376.88	
Accountant Salary	2,200.00	1,800.00	400.00*
Expense	450.00	366.68	83.32*
Treasurer Salary	2,200.00	2,200.00	
Clerk	350.00		
Transfer	100.00	448.88	1.12
Expense	975.00		
Transfer	100.00	1,075.00	
Tax Title Expense	1,200.00		
Transfer	567.00	1,767.00	
Collector Salary	2,600.00	2,600.00	
Clerk	1,508.00	1,424.00	84.00
Expense	1,350.00	1,224.34	125.66
Assessors Salaries	1,800.00		
Assessments Only	1,900.00	3,700.00	
Clerk	1,150.00	1,150.00	
Expense	1,200.00		
Transfer	250.00	1,349.48	100.52
Counsel Salary	2,500.00	2,500.00	
Expense	750.00	542.50	207.50*
Clerk Salary	800.00	800.00	
Expense	350.00	316.51	33.49
Election and Registration			
Salary	200.00	200.00	
Expense	1,055.00	828.76	226.24
Planning Board			
Expense	1,000.00		
Transfer	9.00	1,008.30	.70
Industrial Development Comm.	500.00	50.00	450.00*
Town Hall Salary	550.00	550.00	
Expense	1,200.00	1,162.45	37.55
Special	750.00		
1966 Balance	1,039.84		
Refunds	68.00	143.00	1,714.84*
Memorial Hall Salary	700.00	700.00	
Expense	2,500.00	2,221.42	278.58

Department	Appropriation and Transfer	Expended	Unexpended Balance
Special	3,000.00		
1966 Balance	585.44	275.00	3,310.44*
Constable Salary	35.00	35.00	
Police Cruiser	1,600.00	1,558.43	41.57
Police Chief Salary	7,185.00	7,185.00	
Wages	18,360.00		
Transfer	1,000.00	18,655.00	705.00
Expense	4,575.00		
Transfer	550.17	5,125.17	
Fire Chief Salary	6,600.00	5,600.00	
Firemen Salaries	2,425.00	2,302.38	122.62
Expense—Labor	22,955.00		
Extra Man	4,095.00		
Transfer	301.62	27,351.62	
Fire Station Roof	2,000.00	1,488.00	512.00
Building Inspector Salary	750.00	750.00	
Expense	350.00	350.00	
Board of Appeals	500.00		81.00*
Transfer	200.00	601.84	17.16
Wire Inspector Salary	400.00	400.00	
Expense	140.00	140.00	
Gas Inspector Salary	100.00	100.00	
Expense	75.00		75.00
Plumbing Inspector	200.00	200.00	
Expense	75.00		75.00
Civil Defense	100.00	93.00	7.00
Forestry-Tree Warden	1,800.00	1,796.08	3.92
Moth	625.00	581.95	43.05
Dutch Elm	1,400.00	1,400.00	
New Trees	400.00	400.00	
River St. Special	1,000.00	985.68	14.32
Dog Officer Salary	300.00	300.00	
Expense	280.00		
Transfer	232.00	511.08	.92
Board of Health Salary	520.00	520.00	
Expense	5,000.00		
Transfer	2,000.00	6,463.47	536.53*
Dental Clinic	1,200.00	456.00	744.00
Community Health Expense	2,500.00	2,500.00	
Mental Health Expense	425.00	425.00	
Special Health	1,500.00		1,500.00
Inspector of Animals	200.00	200.00	
Expense	100.00	67.33	32.67

Department	Appropriation and Transfer	Expended	Unexpended Balance
Inspector of Slaughter	50.00	50.00	
Highway			
Road Machinery	6,500.00		
1966 Balance	32.50	6,112.29	420.21*
Expense	13,060.00	13,048.08	11.92
Chapter 81	14,950.00	14,950.00	
Chapter 90	16,000.00		
1966 Balance	11,525.08	15,884.95	11,640.13*
Chapter 90 Maintenance	2,000.00	2,000.00	
Lake St. Special 782	8,589.60	521.20	8,068.40*
Lake St. Special 822 (Bal.)	399.32	399.32	
Land Damage (Bal.)	3,350.00	2,000.00	1,350.00*
New Truck	4,700.00	4,170.00	530.00
Snow Removal	20,000.00		
Transfer	3,991.51	23,991.51	
Storm Drains	1,000.00	1,000.00	
Spring Road Special	1,228.00		
Resident Payment	901.33		
Transfer	6.67	2,136.00	
Highway Sander	1,450.00	1,208.20	241.80
Lonergan Road Special	1,000.00		1,000.00*
Street Lights	6,200.00	5,757.66	442.34
Christmas Lighting	100.00	35.39	64.61
Public Welfare			
Salaries	900.00	900.00	
District Administration	4,017.00	4,017.00	
General Relief	2,000.00	587.07	
Trans. to M. Assist.		1,412.93	
Old Age Assistance	7,000.00		
Recoveries	87.25	7,087.25	
Medical Assistance	34,000.00		
Transfer	24,025.35	58,025.35	
Aid to Dependent Children	13,000.00		
Transfer	2,457.30	15,457.30	
Disability Assistance	3,000.00		
Transfer	1,521.27	4,521.27	
Veterans Agent			
Salary	750.00	750.00	
Expense	300.00	277.00	23.00
Services—Aid	9,000.00		
Return to Cash	28.55	5,824.52	3,204.03

Department	Appropriation and Transfer	Expended	Unexpended Balance
School Department			
Salaries	238,617.00		
1966 Balance	3,982.69	237,552.99	5,046.70
Expense	62,121.00		
Transfer	3,144.74	65,265.74	
Superintendent—Travel	200.00		200.00
Building Fund—Balance	4,033.55	1,629.15	2,404.40*
Lunch Fund—Balance	2,893.52		
Transfers	30,336.06	29,345.02	3,884.56*
P.L. 89-10—Balance	4,457.37	4,010.02	447.35*
P.L. 874—Balance	5,667.18		
Transfer	2,571.00	4,187.75	4,050.43*
Teachers Assn. Dues	477.00	477.00	
Masconomet	396,343.25	396,342.83	.42
Planning—Balance	71.00		71.00
Vocational Education	7,000.00	3,416.15	2,000.00
			1,583.85*
Library			
Salaries and Wages	6,745.00	6,638.40	106.60
Expenses	5,000.00		
State Aid	929.50		
Dog Tax	682.32		
Transfer	.15	6,611.97	
Park Department	2,570.00		
Transfer	8.00	2,577.19	.81
New Equipment	600.00	476.00	124.00
East St. Pool	250.00	238.80	11.20
Recreation Committee	900.00	878.00	22.00
So. Middleton Recreation	1,020.00		1,020.00
Cemtery			
Salary	90.00	90.00	
Maintenance	6,600.00	6,590.00	9.02
New Equipment	500.00	467.00	33.00
Opening Graves	2,000.00		
Transfer	500.00	2,212.20	287.80
Truck	3,100.00	3,044.95	55.05
Hot Top	450.00		
Transfer	1.00	450.16	.84
New Lots—Balance	370.35		370.35*
Perpetual Care			
Transfer	3,089.65	3,089.65	
Printing Town Report	2,500.00	1,642.34	857.66
Memorial Day	750.00	696.24	53.76

Department	Appropriation and Transfer	Expended	Unexpended Balance
Retirement—Essex County	19,950.00	19,945.33	4.67
General Insurance	8,747.00	7,317.00	1,430.00
Motor Vehicle Insurance	3,350.00	2,763.07	586.93
Group Insurance	755.00	587.37	167.63
Blue Cross & Blue Shield	7,066.00	5,483.39	1,582.61
Reserve Fund	3,500.00	3,068.00	432.00
Electric Light			
Salaries	13,920.00	13,910.00	10.00
Wages	35,407.00	35,370.06	36.94
Energy	206,000.00	166,536.94	39,463.06
Expenses	20,000.00	18,703.85	1,296.15
Line Clearance	2,500.00	2,497.73	2.27
Depreciation	26,000.00	25,688.83	311.17
Emergency Fund	1,500.00		1,500.00
Essex San.—Right of Way	700.00		
Transfer	100.00		800.00*
Water Department			
Salaries	450.00	450.00	
Expenses	200.00	188.35	11.65
Maintenance	2,000.00	1,992.00	8.00
Survey—Balance	118.00		
	500.00	514.00	104.00
Debt Repayment	1,680.00		
Interest Refund	22.50	1,680.00	22.50
So. Main St.	23,000.00	4,700.00	18,300.00*
Revolutionary Veterans Markers			
Balance	100.00	42.00	58.00*
Conservation Commission	200.00		
Balance	253.50	354.20	99.30
School Addition Loan 1950	10,000.00	10,000.00	
School Addition Loan 1956	10,000.00	10,000.00	
Fuller Meadow Loan 1964	25,000.00	25,000.00	
Fire Truck Loan	4,000.00	4,000.00	
Revenue Loan	300.00.00	300,000.00	
County (Dog License)	1,806.50	709.50	1,097.00
Sale of Dogs	78.00	21.00	57.00*
Federal Withholding	51,946.19	51,946.19	
State Withholding	6,362.91	6,354.53	8.38
County Retirement	10,006.66	10,006.66	
Group Life	763.46	763.46	
Blue Cross & Blue Shield	7,029.19	7,029.19	
Cemetery Recording Deeds	9.00	9.00	
Cemetery Endowment	1,125.85	1,025.00	100.85*



Department	Appropriation and Transfer	Expended	Unexpended Balance
Cemetery Lots and Graves	627.00	50.00	577.00*
Perpetual Care	4,592.86	3,089.65	1,503.21*
Stabilization Fund	26,000.00	26,000.00	
Cemetery Equipment Fund	350.00		350.00*
Road Machinery Fund	8,242.16	7,970.00	272.16*
Electric Depreciation Fund	15,151.91	12,000.00	3,151.91*
Meter Deposit Refund	5,070.00	1,795.00	3,275.00*
Meter Deposit Interest	131.65	118.05	13.60*
Mansfield Fund	3,270.97	2,622.50	648.47*
Ambulance Fund	20.00		20.00*
State Parks	465.80	2,465.80	-2,000.00
Auditing Municipal Accts.	5,525.03	5,525.03	
Met. Area Planning '67	158.07	158.07	
Met. Area Planning '66	13.33	13.33	
Mosquito Control '66	2,238.56	2,238.56	
Mosquito Control '67	1,577.52	3,807.00	-2,229.48
County Tax '66	1,322.91	1,322.91	
County Tax '67	16,656.97	18,188.38	-1,531.41
County Retirement	19,950.00	19,945.33	4.67
Mass. Bay Transportation	434.49	442.19	-7.70
Loan Interest	20,000.00	18,500.85	1,499.15
Excise Tax Bills	355.20	355.20	
Federal Welfare	77,840.38	64,046.32	13,794.06
1967 Underestimates	5,768.59		
		\$2,021,968.01	\$ 68,590.10**
			86,207.06*
		Expended	2,021,968.01
Total .....	\$2,176,765.17		\$2,176,765.17

\* Balances Brought forward to 1968 accounts

\*\* Unexpended balances returned to Town

# Balance Sheet December 31, 1967 — General Accounts

## BALANCE SHEET

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### GENERAL ACCOUNTS

ASSETS		LIABILITIES AND RESERVES	
Cash:		Payroll Deductions:	
General		State Withholding Tax	\$ 8.38
Petty:		County Retirement	98.01
Collector	\$ 100.00	Blue Cross - Blue Shield	912.93
Assessors	10.00	Guarantee Deposits:	1,019.32
School	30.00	Municipal Light	3,358.60
School Lunch	30.00	Agency:	
Municipal Light	200.00	County — Sale of Dogs	57.00
Accounts Receivable:		Excess — Sale of Land	
Taxes:		of Low Value	84.84
Personal Property 1966	681.20	Tailings — Unclaimed Checks	141.84
Personal Property 1967	1,370.40	Cemetery Perpetual Care Bequests	109.35
Real Estate 1967	33,342.64	Trust Fund Income:	100.85
Motor Vehicle Excise 1966	3,820.69	Mansfield Fund	648.47
Motor Vehicle Excise 1967	11,057.62	Cemetery Perpetual	
Farm Animal Excise 1967		Care Fund	1,503.21
Water Liens 1967		Recoveries:	2,151.68
Departmental:		Disability Assistance	84.10
General Relief	1,024.43	Aid to Dependent Children	504.23
Disability Assistance	47.15	Old Age Assistance	211.90
Aid to Dependent		Veterans' Services	142.88
Children	633.83	Revolving Funds:	943.11
Old Age Assistance	441.94	School Lunch	
Medical Assistance	2,275.30	Federal Grants:	3,884.56
Veterans' Services	455.23	Disability Assistance	1,836.50
Aid to Highway:		Aid to Dependent Children	2,110.92
State		Old Age Assistance	1,943.71
Tax Titles and Possessions:		Medical Assistance	4,327.00
Rates	17,635.46	School:	
Miscellaneous	1,228.60	Public Law 874	4,051.43



Municipal Light	18,864.06	61,935.08
Reserve for Petty Cash Advances		370.00
Surplus Revenue:		
General	83,174.63	
Municipal Light	56,074.40	
Water	2,409.58	141,658.61
		<u>\$318,543.33</u>

## DEBT ACCOUNTS

## ASSETS

	LIABILITIES
School Addition 1950	\$ 18,000.00
School Addition 1956	70,000.00
Fuller Meadow 1963	360,000.00
Water Loan	9,000.00
Fire Truck	8,000.00

Net Funded or Fixed Debt	<u>\$465,000.00</u>
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## TREASURER'S REPORT

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Patricia M. Jordan, Treasurer in account with the Town of Middleton, Massachusetts.

Balance of Cash in Treasury, January 1, 1967	\$ 253,555.23
Receipts for the year 1967	1,720,981.44
Anticipation Revenue Loan in 1967	300,000.00
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Total cash	\$2,274,536.67
Payments for year 1967	\$1,754,598.29
Anticipation Revenue Loan in 1967	300,000.00
Balance of Cash in Treasury December 31, 1967	219,938.38
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	\$2,274,536.67

### CASH IN BANKS FOR 1967

Arlington Trust Company, Middleton, Mass.	\$ 216,433.40
Merchants Warren National Bank, Salem, Mass.	871.89
Arlington Trust (Savings Account) Middleton, Mass.	2,633.09
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	\$ 219,938.38

A complete report of all Trust Funds in my custody are shown on the following pages.

I wish to thank the Town Officials, and all other Town Departments for their cooperation during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

PATRICIA M. JORDAN,

Town Treasurer

**DAVID CUMMINGS FUND**

Balance January 1, 1967	\$	6,189.75
United Shoe Machinery Corp. Shares		975.00
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	\$	7,164.75

**Receipts:**

United Shoe Machinery Corp. Dividends	\$	112.13
Arlington Trust Co., Interest		243.98
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Total receipts		356.11
Trustee's Orders		-205.00
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Balance	\$	7,315.86
Arlington Trust Company Checking Account	\$	87.77
Arlington Trust Company Savings Account		6,253.09
United Shoe Machinery Corp. Shares		975.00
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Balance Dec. 31, 1967	\$	7,315.86

Respectfully submitted,

PATRICIA M. JORDAN

Town Treasurer

**STABILIZATION FUND 1967**

Town of Middleton

Stabilization Fund

Balance on hand January 1, 1967	\$	49,275.58
Deposited, March 30, 1967		26,000.00
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	\$	75,275.58
Interest for year 1967	\$	3,508.55
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Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1967	\$	78,784.13

Respectfully submitted,

PATRICIA M. JORDAN,

Town Treasurer

**DEPRECIATION FUND 1967**

Town of Middleton

Electric Light Department

Depreciation Fund

Balance on hand January 1, 1967 \$ 95,767.81

Deposited February 8, 1967 12,000.00

\$ 107,767.81

Interest for year 1967 5,427.66

Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1967 \$ 113,195.47

Respectfully submitted,

PATRICIA M. JORDAN,

Town Treasurer

**CEMETERY ENDOWMENT FUND 1967**

Town of Middleton

Cemetery Endowment Fund

Balance on hand January 1, 1967 \$ 42,818.28

New accounts added 1,200.00

Interest 2,157.23

Total receipts \$ 46,175.51

Interest withdrawn 2,157.23

Balance Dec. 31, 1967 \$ 44,018.28

Respectfully submitted,

PATRICIA M. JORDAN,

Town Treasurer

**SECTION C OAKDALE CEMETERY 1967**

Town of Middleton

Section C-Oakdale Cemetery

Balance on hand January 1, 1967 \$ 2,907.63

New accounts added 100.00

Interest 148.69

Total receipts \$ 3,156.32

Interest withdrawn 148.69

Balance Dec. 31, 1967 \$ 3,007.63

Respectfully submitted,

PATRICIA M. JORDAN,

Town Treasurer



## Land Owned By the Town of Middleton

### MIDDLETON PINES:

16 Lots: 2, 3, 4, 314-317 inc., 351-355 inc., 532-535 inc., Book 4037 page 358, Book 3105 page 257, Book 2955 page 65  
42,103 sq. ft., lots 268-274 inc., 471-474 inc., 47A, Book 4965 page 361 (includes 2 camps)  
8500 sq. ft., lots 1021, 1022 Book 5010 page 570 (1 camp)

### SUMMIT VIEW:

Lot 10 Probate 236108 (1 camp)  
171 Lots: 3, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 51, 57-59 inc., 63, 64, 65, 80-83 inc., 91-97 inc., 136-159 inc., 160-169 inc., 208, 212, 213, 215, 221 inc., 238, 239, 242-251 inc., 257-270 inc., 279-285 inc., 326-337 inc., 376, 378, 379-382 inc., 385-398 inc.

### WOODLAND PARK:

9 Lots: 118, 119, 139, 168, 332, 575, 576, 714, 715

### HASWELL PARK:

12 Lots: 134, 135, 155, 160, 161, 165, 166, 171, 172, 173, 284, 285  
1 Acre: Probate 278847 (Turf Meadow)  
5000 sq. ft.: Lots 291, 282, Book 3574 page 253

### ESSEX STREET:

20,000 sq. ft: Part of Parker Lot Book 5010 Page 570

### WALCOTT'S ISLAND:

4 Acres: Woodland Book 1472 Page 551

### RIVERVIEW:

2 Lots: 266,337 Book 2816 Page 197

### HIGHLAND PARK:

Lot #2: Book 3473 Page 365

### RECREATION PARK:

7340 sq. ft: Book 4037 page 351 Lot "H"

### LIBERTY STREET:

4 Acres: Book 849 Page 178

### ODD LOTS:

Recreation Park Lots 61-64 inc., G., 65-70 inc., 34,382 Sq. Ft.  
(All of these on Book 4037 Page 351)

Respectfully submitted,

PATRICIA M. JORDAN,

Treasurer

**Town of Middleton**  
**REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS**  
**OF THE**  
**FINANCE COMMITTEE**

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The Finance Committee herewith reports and submits its recommendations to the annual town meeting, March 12, 1968.

Once again, this committee reports little progress in the area of streamlining our town operations to keep pace with the various problems facing urban government. The only single progressive move was the organization of the Personnel Review Board and its resulting article in the 1968 warrant. A favorable vote on this article is highly recommended.

In expectation of future growth, serious consideration will have to be given to the adoption of more efficient methods of operation. Evaluation of consolidation of many of the current part time positions could possibly result in a greater degree of efficiency. A further result of this consideration would be the availability of responsible personnel to handle the many day to day demands which competent town government should provide.

The greatest problem area at this time is the lack of adequate suitable facilities to conduct town government. The era of transacting town business at odd hours at various private locations has passed. This problem will become increasingly apparent as growth continues. Examples of this situation are police facilities, library accomodations and general lack of space in Memorial Hall.

The greatest impact upon local tax rates is school costs. We wish to recognize the fiscal responsibility evidenced by the local school committee members and the school officials in the preparation of the 1968 operating budget. The recommended budget represents a \$25,000 or 8.1 per cent increase over 1967. This increased per cent is generally less than compared costs in adjoining towns.

The high cost of secondary education continues to soar as revealed by the increased budget and the impending Stage II addition for Masconomet Regional High School. We cannot estimate

effectively the effect on the tax rate of the additional facilities plus the accompanying operational expenses.

The effect of the takeover of Welfare costs by the state on July 1, 1968 will not be fully reflected in this fiscal year's tax rate. This is partially due to the budgeting of an estimated sum for one half of 1968.

The Finance Committee wonders if Mr. Taxpayer is aware of the controllable costs in operating town government. Of the total 1968 recommended budget, which amounts to \$1,590,000, not including warrant items, only \$293,000 represents general government. The remainder consists of schools, electric light, debt repayment and welfare costs. It may be worthy to note that the controllable costs represent a \$44,000 increase over 1967.

Once again, the Finance Committee was faced with the choice of recommending appropriate salary increases. After careful consideration, our recommended budget includes a salary and wage increase which we feel is consistent with increasing responsibility and equitable compensation. A favorable vote on the establishment of a Personnel Board will insure continued adequate remuneration for our town employees.

At this time, the amount of state reimbursements to be received and the exact evaluation of the town are not known. It is premature to estimate with any accuracy the 1968 tax rate.

In summary, the Finance Committee cannot impress too greatly the increased participation and interest by all concerned taxpayers. This resultant healthier atmosphere will contribute to the continued progress of our community.

This committee extends its appreciation to all who have cooperated with us during the past year.

Respectfully submitted by the

Finance Committee

Bernard Greenbaum, chairman

Frank R. Britner

Augustus Jones

George Dow

Jeffrey W. Savoie

## 1967 BUDGET - 1968 RECOMMENDED BUDGET

Item No.		Expended 1966	Expended 1967	mended 1968
GENERAL GOVERNMENT				
	Moderator			
1.	Salary	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00
	Finance Committee			
2.	Expenses	55.00	82.00	100.00
	Selectmen			
3.	Salaries	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
4.	Expenses	981.92	1,376.88	1,500.00
5.	Clerk	600.00	600.00	700.00
	Accountant			
6.	Salary	1,800.00	2,200.00	2,450.00
7.	Expenses	450.00	366.68	500.00
	Treasurer			
8.	Salary	1,800.00	2,200.00	2,450.00
9.	Clerical	280.50	448.88	350.00
10.	Expenses	1,653.30	1,075.00	1,450.00
11.	Tax Titles	1,182.25	1,767.00	1,800.00
	Collector of Taxes			
12.	Salary	2,600.00	2,600.00	2,850.00
13.	Clerk	1,298.50	1,424.00	1,650.00
14.	Expenses	1,228.54	1,224.34	1,450.00
	Assessors			
15.	Salaries	3,200.00	1,800.00	1,800.00
16.	Clerk	1,092.00	1,150.00	1,248.00
17.	Expenses	1,195.21	1,349.48	1,450.00
18.	Wages-Assessments Only	00	1,900.00	1,900.00
	Town Counsel			
19.	Salary	1,200.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
20.	Expenses	519.50	542.50	750.00
	Clerk			
21.	Salary	800.00	800.00	800.00
22.	Expenses	355.94	316.51	350.00

Item No.		Expended 1966	Expended 1967	Recom- mended 1968
	Elections & Registrations			
23.	Salaries	400.00	200.00	400.00
24.	Expenses	1,744.29	828.76	2,045.00
	Planning Board			
25.	Expenses	1,121.84	1,008.30	1,572.50
	Town Hall			
26.	Salary	480.00	550.00	600.00
27.	Expenses	1,128.61	1,162.45	1,200.00
28.	Special	0	0	0
	Memorial Hall			
29.	Salary	600.00	700.00	750.00
30.	Expenses	2,480.25	2,221.42	2,500.00
31.	Special	0	275.00	0
	Totals	\$31,940.55	\$34,219.20	\$38,665.50

## PUBLIC SAFETY

	Constable			
32.	Salary	35.00	35.00	35.00
	Police			
33.	Chief's Salary	6,760.00	7,185.00	7,800.00
34.	Wages	16,869.75	18,655.00	19,805.00
35.	Expenses	4,962.98	5,125.17	5,075.00
	Fire			
36.	Chief's Salary	6,220.00	6,600.00	7,280.00
37.	Salaries	2,262.75	2,302.38	2,725.00
38.	Wages & Expenses	20,639.36	27,351.62	32,635.00
	Building Inspector			
39.	Salary	750.00	750.00	750.00
40.	Expenses	250.00	350.00	400.00
	Board of Appeals			
41.	Expenses	488.37	601.84	900.00
	Wire Inspector			
42.	Salary	400.00	400.00	400.00
43.	Expenses	139.35	140.00	150.00

Item No.		Expended 1966	Expended 1967	Recommended 1968
	Civil Defense			
44.	Expenses	93.30	93.00	100.00
	Gas Inspector			
45.	Salary	100.00	100.00	100.00
46.	Expenses	0	0	225.00
	Plumbing Inspector			
47.	Salary	200.00	200.00	200.00
48.	Expenses	0	0	75.00
	Forestry			
49.	Expenses	1,493.53	1,796.08	1,800.00
50.	Moth	622.10	581.95	1,000.00
51.	Dutch Elm	994.40	1,400.00	1,250.00
52.	New Trees	284.25	400.00	300.00
	Dog Officer			
53.	Salary	200.00	300.00	300.00
54.	Expenses	430.09	511.08	600.00
	Total	\$64,195.23	\$67,771.97	\$83,905.00

## HEALTH &amp; SANITATION

	Board of Health			
55.	Salary	520.00	520.00	600.00
56.	Expenses	4,713.26	6,463.47	7,000.00
57.	Dental Clinic	1,063.91	456.00	500.00
58.	Community Health Program	2,500.00	2,500.00	4,000.00
59.	Special Health Services	0	0	0
	Inspector of Animals			
60.	Salary	200.00	200.00	200.00
61.	Expenses	65.20	67.33	100.00
	Inspector of Slaughtering			
62.	Salary	50.00	50.00	50.00
	Mental Health	365.00	425.00	425.00
	Totals	\$ 9,477.37	\$10,681.80	\$12,875.00

Item No.	Expended 1966	Expended 1967	Recommended 1968
HIGHWAY..DEPT.			
63. Road Machinery Account (From Road Machinery Fund)	6,240.00	6,112.29	6,500.00
64. Highway Surveyor Salary (From Available Dept. Funds)	6,240.00	6,620.00	7,280.00
65. Highway Expenses	11,503.58	13,048.08	15,144.40
66. Chapter 81	5,875.00	5,875.00	5,875.00
67. Chapter 81, State *	9,074.99	9,075.00	9,075.00
68. Chapter 90, Construction	4,474.92	4,000.00	4,000.00
69. Chapter 90, County & State *	11,528.08	11,884.95	12,000.00
70. Chapter 90, Maintenance	2,000.00	2,000.00	3,000.00
71. Chapter 90, State *	0	0	0
72. Snow Removal	21,586.14	23,991.51	25,000.00
73. Storm Drains	970.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
74. Street Lighting	5,935.06	5,757.66	6,000.00
Totals	\$52,344.70	\$55,672.25	\$60,019.40

\* County & State Reimbursements To Surplus Revenue

#### CHARITIES

75. Welfare District Administration	2,776.00	4,017.00	4,710.00
76. Public Welfare Salaries	800.00	900.00	900.00
77. General Relief	5,028.34	587.07	2,000.00
78. Old Age Assistance	6,177.85	7,087.25	9,400.00
79. Medical Aid for Aged	22,500.00	0	0
Medical Assistance	4,600.00	59,438.53	51,000.00
80. Aid to Dependent Children	16,646.80	15,457.30	11,400.00
81. Disability Assistance	11,439.54	4,521.27	5,400.00
Totals	\$70,148.53	\$92,008.42	\$84,810.00

#### VETERANS' SERVICES

82. Veterans' Agent Salary	750.00	750.00	1,000.00
83. Expenses	221.00	277.00	350.00
84. Veterans' Aid	4,162.28	5,824.52	9,000.00
Totals	\$ 5,133.28	\$ 6,851.52	\$10,350.00



Item No.	Expended 1966	Expended 1967	Recom- mended 1968
<b>SCHOOL DEPARTMENT</b>			
Elementary School			
85. Salaries	222,144.78	237,552.99	258,128.65
86. Expenses	57,217.04	65,265.74	65,958.00
87. Supt. Out of State Travel	154.44	0	200.00
88. Masconomet Regional			
88. School District	365,772.00	396,342.83	426,901.19
89. Vocational Education	3,026.90	3,416.15	7,000.00
Totals	\$648,315.16	\$702,577.71	\$758,187.84
<b>LIBRARY DEPARTMENT</b>			
90. Salaries	5,807.95	6,638.40	8,525.00
91. Expenses	4,084.46	6,611.97	8,090.50
92. Plus Dog Tax Refund	0	0	0
Totals	\$ 9,892.41	\$13,250.37	\$16,615.50
<b>RECREATION</b>			
93. Expenses	1,830.73	2,577.19	2,450.00
94. East St. Pool	170.80	238.80	500.00
95. New Equipment	278.69	476.00	520.00
96. Wages-Beach Life Guard and Instruction	834.00	878.00	900.00
97. Town Picnic	0	0	1,000.00
Totals	\$ 3,114.22	\$ 4,169.99	\$ 5,370.00
<b>CEMETERIES</b>			
98. Commissioners Salaries	60.00	60.00	60.00
99. Supt. of Burial Salary	30.00	30.00	50.00
100. Expenses	6,509.55	6,590.98	7,210.00
101. Opening Graves	1,842.80	2,212.20	2,500.00
102. Equipment	935.74	467.00	0
103. Hot Top	450.00	450.16	450.00
Totals	\$ 9,828.09	\$ 9,810.34	\$10,270.00
<b>UNCLASSIFIED</b>			
104. Retirement Assessment	17,181.00	19,945.33	20,903.57
105. Printing Town Reports	1,557.75	1,642.34	2,500.00
106. Memorial Day	524.73	696.24	750.00
Insurance			
107. General Liability	7,257.52	7,317.00	8,822.00

Item No.	Expended 1966	Expended 1967	Recommended 1968
<b>UNCLASSIFIED (Continued)</b>			
108. Motor Vehicle	3,311.45	2,763.07	3,350.00
109. Group	600.00	587.37	800.00
110. Blue Cross-Blue Shield	4,800.00	5,483.39	8,000.00
111. Industrial Development Commission	49.35	50.00	0
112. Christmas Lighting	35.67	35.39	50.00
113. Reserve Fund	3,185.20	3,068.00	5,000.00
114. Conservation Commission Expense	0	354.20	200.00
Totals	\$38,502.67	\$41,942.33	\$50,375.57
<b>MATURING DEBT &amp; INTEREST</b>			
115. School Addition Loan 1950	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
116. School Addition Loan 1956	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
117. Fuller Meadow School 1964	25,000.00	25,000.00	25,000.00
118. Fire Truck Loan	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
119. Interest	17,700.00	18,500.85	20,000.00
Totals	\$66,700.00	\$67,500.85	\$69,000.00
<b>PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES</b>			
<b>Water Department</b>			
120. Salaries	450.00	450.00	450.00
121. Expenses	304.10	188.35	350.00
122. Maintenance	1,808.52	1,992.00	2,000.00
123. Debt Repayment	1,860.00	1,680.00	2,200.00
123A Interest	0	0	100.00
Totals	\$ 4,422.62	\$ 4,310.35	\$ 5,100.00
<b>ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT</b>			
124. Salaries	13,470.00	13,655.00	15,071.00
125. Wages	30,536.61	34,833.69	41,764.00
126. Energy	139,082.87	166,536.94	268,000.00
127. Expenses	14,397.89	18,703.85	24,000.00
128. Line Clearance	1,991.18	2,497.73	3,000.00
129. Depreciation	23,681.36	25,688.83	30,220.00
130. Emergency Fund	0	0	2,000.00
Totals	\$223,159.91	\$261,916.04	\$384,055.00
GRAND TOTALS	\$1,237,175.00	\$1,372,683.14	\$1,589,598.81

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